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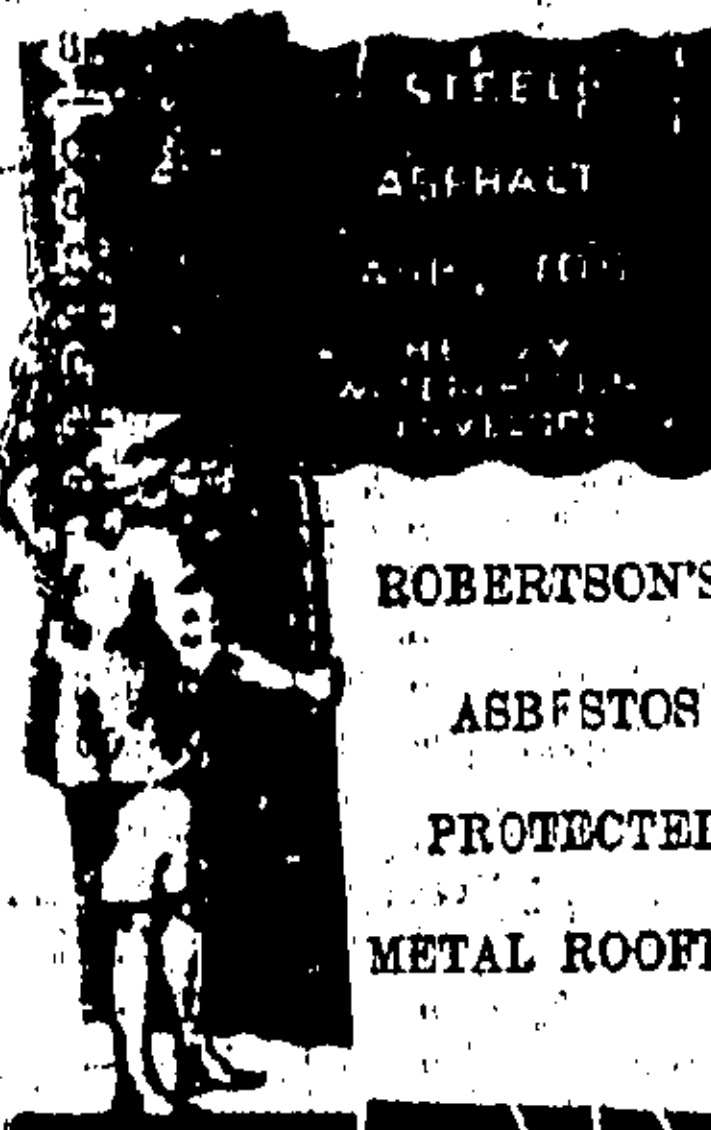
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TERRIBLE SCOURGE.

DYING MEN ON PRATAS ISLAND.

SIXTY-TWO DEAD.

History Repeats Itself With Tragic Grimness.

Beri-beri having spread very rapidly among the coolies employed on the erection of the wireless station at Pratas shoal, efforts have been made to reach them for some considerable time but owing to the monsoon and the treacherous wash off the reef of the island relief was of necessity delayed until the Revenue cruiser "Haishing" arrived on Tuesday. Some sixty-two are reported dead. The rest were conveyed to hospital at Amoy.

The Maritime employees, directly under the Chinese Government, are unaffected by the disease, the cause of which among the contractor coolies must of necessity be to do with the rice supplies of which there was plenty. The Maritime men are in separate quarters and have rations issued through Government channels and by isolation escaped the fate of the others. They have despatched meteorological messages to Hongkong as late as the 4th of this month.

The receipt of these messages was referred to recently by the Colonial Secretary at the Legislative Council. The building of an observation station there for the benefit of shipping and the furnishing of reliable information with regard to the movement of typhoons was mooted by the Hongkong Government but eventually after years of delay the Chinese Government entered into an undertaking and put matters connected with the erection under the control of the Chinese Admiralty.

A Chinese ship passed through some months ago with materials for the erection of a station and reported that a temporary wireless set had been installed pending the complete erection of the station and plant.

Pratas consists of a sandbank covered with scrub and other small vegetation of a poor type, an extinct volcano and a reef, and lies about 185 miles south-east of Hongkong.

No Drinking Water.

There is no drinking water on the island, the vegetation being nourished by brackish pools and a lagoon, and by phosphates due to the presence from time to time of large flocks of birds. Some years ago the phosphates attracted the attention of Japanese from Formosa, and some 400 or 500 settled in huts along the island but at the best made a poor living.

Of food there was none, and to add to the difficulties of the situation for the settlers, drinking water had to be produced by condenser. During these same years fishing junks from the south of China made a practice of visiting the place, where apparently from time immemorial they were in the habit of burying their dead. Between them and the Japanese settlers there was bad blood, the Japanese being to all appearances responsible for the deaths in the latter years of their stay they seem to have taken it upon themselves to forbid the fishermen using the place as their cemetery.

Japanese Ousted.

The reports brought back to the mainland by these fishermen soon came to the ears of the Chinese officials, who, finding what appear-

ed to be an infringement of sovereign rights, took steps to oust the Japanese. An arrangement was arrived at about 1910 by which the Japanese went out lock, stock and barrel, but at a cost to China of some \$14,000, paid for the condensing plant and for the huts which were taken over. Soon afterwards, the Chinese Government considered the advisability of erecting a wireless plant on the island and placed about a dozen Chinese there to guard against fresh intrusion.

Former Tragedy.

A vessel from Canton visited them periodically, bringing them supplies, and they obtained their drinking water as before, by means of the condenser. All went well for a time, but within two years South China found itself in the throes of a revolution, and the relief steamer was used for other work. The existence of the men on the island appears to have been forgotten for a time, and when, some months later, the steamer made her next trip to Pratas, only the whitening bones of the unfortunate guards were found. Since that time, the island has been, to all intents and purposes, uninhabited.

A DIRTY KITCHEN?

COOK AND MASTER AT COURT.

WAS HE DISMISSED?

Whether he was dismissed or went of his own volition was the issue in a case at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday where a Chinese cook sued Mr. C. F. Servadio of 319 Nathan Road, for 18 days' wages at the rate of \$23 a month.

The cook's case was that he had been dismissed after being reprimanded by his employer for not cleaning utensils. At the same time, he alleged, his master poured water over him.

The master's case was that the cook became annoyed and said he wanted to leave when witness drew his attention to the filthy state of the kitchen and poured water on it.

The case was adjourned for an amicus evidence.

This morning Mr. E. W. Hamilton, Kowloon Magistrate, dismissed the summons of a Chinese cook against Mr. C. F. Servadio, an Italian resident of No. 319, Nathan Road, for 18 days' wages. The case was adjourned yesterday for the amicus employed there to give evidence. She said that she did not understand the language nor did she see the master do anything that the cook alleged such as the pouring of boiling water.

OPERA AT STAR.

A LATE FERRY TO HONGKONG.

"FAUST" ON TUESDAY.

Opera-goers will be pleased to learn that a late ferry will be run to Hongkong after each performance in the Star Theatre, so that Hongkong residents need have no anxiety about getting home across the harbour.

Owing to questions of staging "Faust" will be given on Tuesday night and "Tosca" on Monday night instead of as at first announced. The opera for to-night is "Il Trovatore."

It is notified for general information that a re-entry by the Crown of inland lots Nos. 2403, 2404, 2405 and 2406 have been registered according to law also in respect of Hsiao Hsiao Demarcation. District No. 141 Lots Nos. 230 and 231 and Island Lot No. 2448.

NOT GUILTY PLEA.

MORRIS AND WIFE DENY CHARGES.

RUSSIAN GIRL'S EVIDENCE.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, Nov. 7.

The Hayley Morris case was again adjourned to Monday when the accused will be formally committed for trial.

The accused pleaded not guilty, and reserved their defence. The 15-year-old sister of Mrs. Morris gave evidence that her sister had nothing to do with her going to Morris's room. She never saw Morris doing anything wrong to her.

When her sister was recalled Mrs. Morris burst into tears. Morris embraced and consoled her.

A pretty young Russian girl gave evidence that she stayed at Morris's house on several occasions.

As a result of a telephone conversation with Morris last August she put an advertisement in a newspaper and received 300 replies at her address. She gave them to Morris.

CURING LEPROSY.

HOW TO DEAL WITH THE DISEASE.

RESEARCH THE BIG NEED.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, Nov. 6.

That leprosy is now curable in its early stages is emphasised in a memorandum by Sir Leonard Rogers, adopted at the Executive Committee of the British Empire Leprosy Relief Association.

CANTON LEPROSARY.



About ninety miles south of Canton, at the island of Tai Lam, the Rev. John Lake and his wife, who have devoted their lives to the service of leprosy, are carrying on their heroic work in spite of strikes, boycott and anti-foreign feeling although recent events in South China have considerably handicapped them. Above is shown a typical leper belonging to the settlement.

It says that the medical profession in leprosy countries requires to be taught of the early signs of leprosy, then compulsory notification could be enforced.

Much has already been done to improve the treatment, but still more remains to be accomplished before any but the early stages of a case can be considered readily curable, in a practical sense, of losing all symptoms and infectivity, so continued research must remain the most urgent need.

Among the appointments recently made by the Secretary of State for the Colonies is that of Miss J. C. Cotrell as nursing sister at Hong Kong.

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SHOTS ON BORDER.

SIX ROUNDS IN POLICE MOTOR BOAT.

RIVER INCIDENT.

Chinese Fire Presumed Not To Have Been Returned.

After comparative peace for so many weeks that former incidents have been almost forgotten, the New Territory border was again the scene of unwarranted shooting by Chinese soldiers yesterday afternoon.

A motor-boat perhaps slightly larger than similar craft to be seen in the harbour, is attached to the Police Station at Lok Ma Chau, which is very close to the British frontier.

Yesterday afternoon it was in the Sancho River and was fired at from the Chinese side by Cantonese soldiers. As Samohun and district is in Kuomintang hands it must be concluded that the culprits were "Red."

As the report to headquarters in Hongkong says nothing about the fire having been returned it is presumed that the shooting was ignored. Altogether about fifty shots were fired, six of which lodged in the boat. Nobody was injured.

Normally a European Sergeant supervises the patrol with a Chinese crew.

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ENCOURAGEMENT FOR BUNGALOWS.

"EXCHANGE" BUILDING FACTS.

Following at today's yearly meeting of the Hongkong Realty and Trust Co., Ltd., in the Hongkong Hotel at noon today, the Very Rev. Father Leon Robert (archbishop) said:—

"I am sure you will agree that for our company to be able to show that during the period from its commencement to June 30 last the loss is no more than \$6,000 odd, is in fact rather a matter for congratulation, when it is borne in mind that profits cannot be expected until the buildings on our properties are completed and earning."

"Our architectural department has been well employed during the year under review, and as we have a well qualified and experienced staff, we are in an excellent position to carry out all the architectural and engineering work with which we have been and hope to be entrusted."

"With regard to Exchange Building, I would inform you that the third floor of the reinforced concrete frame has now been laid and the contractors, the Hongkong Engineering & Construction Co., Ltd., assure us that their work will be finished in about three months time. The boycott of the Colony instituted by the forces in control of affairs in Canton naturally had a detrimental influence on the progress of the work, but, unforeseen circumstances excepted, we are hopeful that the work will now proceed without interruption. The materials and various items of equipment for the building are arriving satisfactorily and altogether we are proceeding with the work as expeditiously as we possibly can."

"It is very gratifying to me, in view of the crisis through which the Colony is passing, to be able to remind you that in erecting Exchange Building, we have not entered upon a speculative project, for we have already made arrangements for the leasing of the greater part of the building to good tenants on satisfactory terms—only the third floor and about three-quarters of the area of the fourth floor not having yet been let—and we have not pressed the matter of securing tenants for the surplus offices planned for those floors (although we have received several tentative enquiries) as we are confident that as the building approaches completion the desirability of the office, both as regards the central location of the building, the manner in which the suites have been designed, and the unequalled style of the accommodation, will be so obvious that no difficulty will be experienced in leasing them."

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THE CITY OF PERTH.

SCOTLAND'S ANCIENT CAPITAL.

Ask the "man-in-the street" which city has the best right to be designated as Scotland's ancient capital, and he will probably reply — "Edinburgh, of course," says E. M. W. in the "Weekly Scotsman." But there is another claimant to the title. Accustomed as we are to think and speak of Edinburgh as "the capital," it may be somewhat difficult for us to realise that for several centuries Perth, not Edinburgh, was the chief city of Scotland, and it was only after a lengthy process of consolidation and centralisation that the latter attained to the position which she now holds, and became the acknowledged capital of the northern kingdom.

Perth was in existence when the Romans came to Scotland, and apparently they recognised in it a centre of "considerable importance, even apart from their admiration of its magnificent river."

"Behold the Tiber! the vain Roman cried,
Viewing the ample Tay from Baigle's side."

But, according to some authorities, long before the coming of Agricola and his men a city stood where Perth stands now. Difference of opinion as to the exact site there has, certainly been, and it has been suggested that the original settlement was at the junction of the Almond and the Tay, some two miles distant from the present city. But the general weight of evidence seems to point to the conclusion that Perth now stands where it has stood from the earliest time.

ORIGIN OF THE NAME.

The ancient Picts, by whom it was most probably founded, named the town—as was their usual practice—in accordance with the natural features of its site; they called it *Bertha*, a name which later became corrupted into *Perth*. A well-known local antiquary, dealing with this subject, writes:—"The name *Bertha* is composed of two Pictish or Celtic words, *Aber*, 'contracted by the dropping of the initial letter into *Ber*, signifying the mouth of a river, or the *ostium fluminis* of the Romans, and *Tamh*, which in Celtic is equal to *Tay*, convertible into *Tay*, signifying smooth or gentle; thus the appellation *Bertha* signifies 'the town at the mouth of the smooth-flowing river.'"

The etymology may seem a little far-fetched, but the aptness of the description cannot be denied. And the Fair City may well be proud of the noble river with which her name and fortunes have been linked for so many centuries. A writer in a contemporary recently deplored the lack of euphony or poetical beauty in the name of *Perth*, and suggested that it would be well to revert to *St. Johnston*—or *St. John's Town*, the name by which the city was at one time known. That, however, is a matter of personal taste, and whatever *Perth* may lack in beauty of sound, its poetic associations, if we accept the derivation given above, are undeniable.

EDINBURGH VISITORS.

Fourteen Scottish Parliaments have met within the boundaries of Perth; it has played a noteworthy part in history; and if, as is generally conceded, natural charm is a valuable asset in a capital city, then Perth and Edinburgh run one another very close—so close that there might be good reason for jealousy. It was, however, in no spirit of critical rivalry that the Greater Edinburgh Club chose Perth as their objective on the Autumn Holiday, but with a desire to know more of the history and see more of the beauty of what has been well described as one of the loveliest valleys in Scotland. Much is said and written in these days about the wonders of the Dominions; yet, not very long ago, a New Zealander, gazing on the glorious panorama which stretches around Kinnoull Hill, declared that it was finer than anything in New Zealand.

Kinnoull Hill itself is 800 feet in height, and on its western side an almost perpendicular cliff dips sheer down to the valley of the Tay, forming an apparently impregnable wall of rock, which hostile armies might have assailed in vain in the days when high explosives were unknown. Hidden away in the face of the rock is a cave where Wallace is said to have eluded the vigilance of his pursuers. It is reached by a tortuous pathway from above—to scale the crag from below would be impossible. Did the gnomes who cut and carved our Scottish mountaintops and valleys try their prehistoric hands on Kinnoull before they quarried Edinburgh's rock? The whimsical fancy suggests itself as one looks down on the fields, where the cattle move like tiny insects, and on the gleaming ribbon of water where the steamer from Dundee plies to and fro, seeming no bigger, from this tremendous height, than a child's toy.

On the right is Perth, with its spires and chimneys, and prominent among these the quaint old steeple of St. John's Church—one of the most interesting and venerable ecclesiastical buildings in Scotland. Apart from cathedral and abbey churches, St. John's was the first church in Scotland to be built with stone and lime, and the massive pillars and thick walls testify to the strength and solidity of the work turned out by those old-time builders.

About three hundred years ago this church, like St. Giles' Cathedral, was divided into three separate places of worship, but with a wisdom which is not too common in these modern days, Perth decided that its war memorial should be embodied in the restoration and re-unification of the famous old building in which John Knox thundered forth his great sermon of May 11, 1559, resulting in the destruction of the Scottish monasteries, and in which Prince Charles worshipped in 1745. Work is proceeding apace, and soon, it is to be hoped, the church of St. John the Baptist will stand forth in something of its old state, its fine vaulted roof stripped of the lath and plaster ceilings which have for so long covered and defaced it, and the lofty and noble proportions of the whole edifice fully revealed.

FAIR MAID'S HOUSE.

No visitor to Perth would willingly miss the Fair Maid's House—that quaintly romantic little dwelling in Curlew Row, but there is another spot, not far distant, towards which comparative few turn their steps. Entering from the Speygate is the old churchyard of Greyfriars, where in bygone days stood the Franciscan monastery, founded in 1460, and demolished with other monastic houses at the Reformation.

As in Edinburgh, the monastery garden has been converted into a burial place, and among the many curiously carved old stones is one to the memory of John Mylne, Master Mason to James VI., of whom the inscription records that he "rebuilt the ancient bridge over the Tay opposite the high Street, which a dreadful inundation swept away XIV. October MDCXXI." The monument, erected by his descendant, Robert Mylne, architect, forms another link between Scotland's two capitals.

Judge: "The policeman says you were driving with one arm around the young lady's waist."
Culprit: "He's mistaken, your honour. I was driving with the other hand."

"Will you have some fresh mushrooms?" asked the hostess sweetly.
"Yes," faltered the guest, "if you're quite sure they're mushrooms, and not loudstools."
"Oh, I am quite sure," replied the hostess, "I opened the can myself."

HON. HUGO STONOR.

DISCHARGED BY THE MAGISTRATE.

The Hon. Hugo Stonor, of Brompton-street, S.W., appeared on an adjourned summons at Marlborough Police-court alleging that he obtained by false pretences, with intent to defraud, at Old Bond-street, W., an aggregate of £230 from Henry Burns, the property of Mrs. E. E. Palmer.

Mr. J. W. Morris, for the prosecution, stated at the previous hearing that Mrs. E. E. Palmer, a moneylender, and that the sum mentioned in the summons was advanced on the faith of a representation alleged to have been put forward by the defendant that he was entitled to a reversionary interest of £2,500 under the will of his grandfather, and also a third share of his brother's estate. His brother was killed in the war. Not a single penny had been repaid. The prosecution alleged that on none of the dates when he borrowed the sums in question had the defendant any interest under the will of his grandfather or his brother. The only interest he had was to receive from the income of some funds from trustees. This interest was only to accrue to the defendant on the death of his mother, Lady Camoys, and an uncle. Defendant was entitled to an interest under his grandfather's and brother's will, but in February, 1920, he had assigned all his interests to trustees, following an agreement he made in 1916 with Lady Camoys.

Henry Burns, of Abchurch-lane, "Fidelity" was cross-examined by Mr. E. E. Palmer, and said he knew in June last year that the money had been obtained by fraud. Mr. E. E. Palmer: Why have you waited twelve months before launching this prosecution?
Witness: Because Mr. Stonor told me he did not remember signing any documents, and if he did, the signature must have been obtained without his knowledge.

Answering further questions by Mr. Palmer, witness agreed that interest had been charged on the money at the rate of 100 per cent. per annum—interest on money which witness alleged was obtained by fraud. A writ for payment of the money was issued after it was known that it had been obtained by fraud.

Mr. Palmer: You got judgment against the defendant and then made him a bankrupt?—Yes.

I suggest that the reason why you have waited twelve months is that you have been trying through him to get the money from his mother at the time?—Nothing of the kind.

Witness said that the first sum was lent on November 6, 1923.

Mr. Palmer: And although he did not meet his first bill you still went on lending him money?—Yes.

Answering other questions, witness said defendant was brought by a notorious moneylender's tout. Witness suggested that he should fight his mother, Lady Camoys, over the deeds, and if he did they would find the money. He gave her reply and always evaded it; he did not say he could not think of using his own mother, he was too fond of her. He did not remember defendant's wife saying it was impossible for him to pay. "I never said," declared witness, "That's all right. We have nothing against your husband, but I intend to go for his mother and get the assignment set aside." Defendant's wife

called and asked him not to make her husband a bankrupt. He did not say to her, "Why worry, why not make his mother pay?"
Mr. E. E. Palmer: Did you, a week before defendant's public examination, send Percy Norgate to defendant with the message that if he did not pay up you would have him arrested for fraud?
Witness replied in the negative.

Another witness said the defendant was in very bad health.

Mr. Palmer: Have not his financial affairs been very confused, something beyond his understanding?—Witness: Yes.

Has he not always had a rather inflated notion as to what his financial position is?—Yes, he has always thought he was entitled to more than what he was.

It was stated that defendant assigned his reversionary interest to Lady Camoys in consideration of £100 a year.

Mr. Morris discharged the defendant. The whole point, he said, was whether defendant was conscious at the time when he was borrowing this money that he had conveyed the whole of his interest in the property away. There was a doubt in his mind as to whether defendant appreciated the whole of the circumstances of the case when he went to the moneylenders.

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Mr. Nib: "Well, you see, sir, it's on account of my youngest boy, Angus. He'll be over twelve if I don't go 'th' noo!"

NOTICES.

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Hongkong, 3rd November, 1925.

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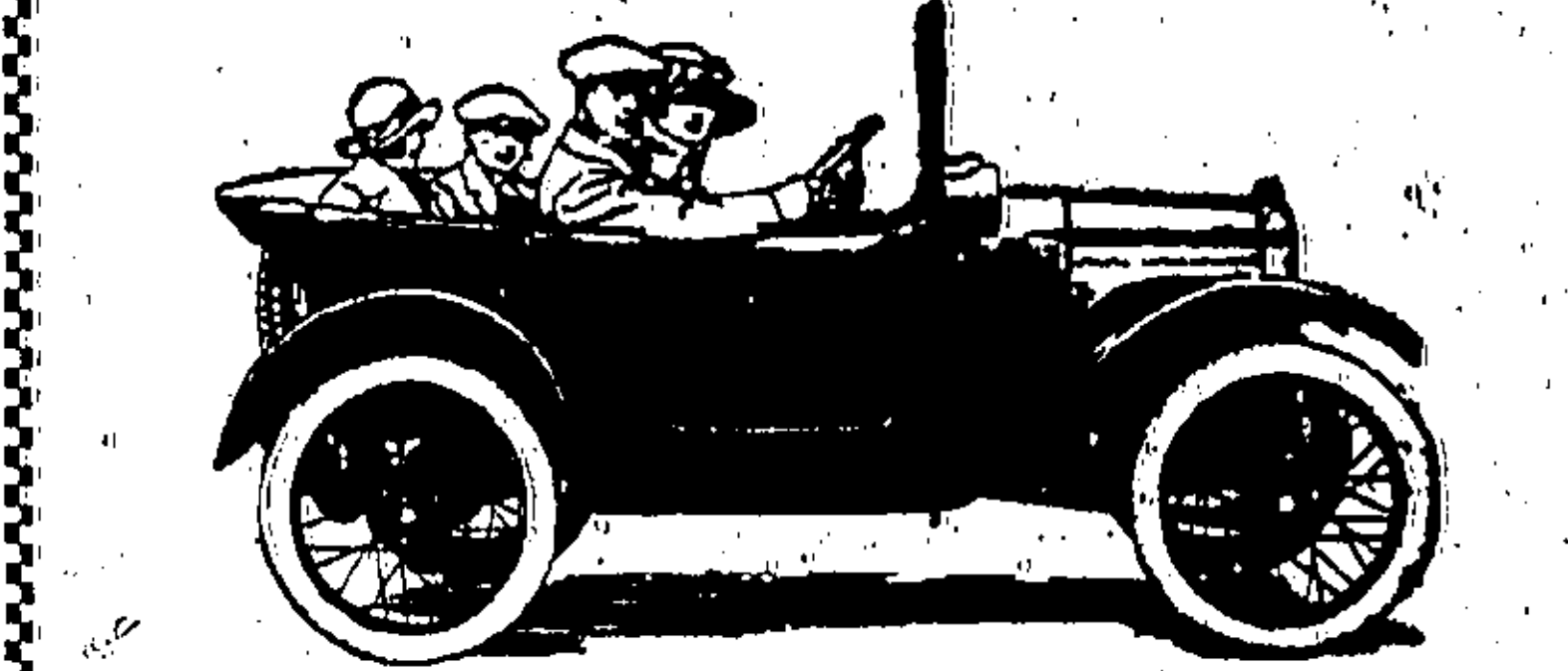
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 Mr. T. F. Claxton, Director of the Royal Observatory, Kowloon, and Mrs. Claxton; Mrs. R. C. Comrie, wife of Mr. R. C. Comrie, accountant in Hongkong of the Standard Oil Company, of New York; Mrs. H. Chater, wife of Surgeon-Captain H. J. Chater, R.N. Hospital.
 Mr. H. B. L. Dowbiggin, bullion broker with Stewart Brothers; Mrs. C. Montague Ede; Capt. and Mrs. P. Jowitt; Mrs. A. O. Lang.
 Mrs. A. S. Mackichan, wife of Mr. Mackichan, with Leigh and Orange; Mrs. A. Maitland; Mr. H. A. Nisbet, registrar, Supreme Court, and Mrs. Nisbet; Mr. and Mrs. S. S. Perry; The Hon. Lady Reid; Mrs. F. A. Redmond, wife of Professor Redmond, of the Hongkong University and Mr. H. Staples-Smith.
 Among the passengers proceeding to Shanghai on Friday or Saturday by the "Morea" are Hon. Mrs. Abel-Smith and Miss Smith; Mr. Norman C. Macgregor, director of Calbeck, Macgregor & Co., London, who is accompanied by his wife and Bishop and Mrs. H. J. Molony, Ningpo.
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OUR "MURKY PAST."

In connection with the
mineralogical and geological sur-
vey which was referred to at the
Budget debate when the Hon. Mr.
Bird thought that the money spent
on it might be devoted to other
purposes and Sir R. E. Stubbs
said he would be sorry to see it
discontinued, it is interesting to
note that there has arrived in the
Colony a geologist who will con-
tinue the work which has been
proceeding during the last two
years. The formation of Hong-
kong has been the subject of in-
vestigation before, and attempts
to place the possible date and
circumstances of its coming into
existence have really not taken us
very much further. None the-
less, the report of Dr. Uglow and
his colleagues will be awaited with
interest, and maybe they will be
able to give us further light with
regard to our murky past. In a
lecture at the University, Prof.
Schofield once told us that events
in history are dated not only by
dates but by the families reigning
at the time. In a similar way
geological events are dated and re-
ferred to the families of animals
which reigned at the time. He
gave as an example the mountains
around Hongkong, stating that
they were formed by the action of
the sea during the time of the
Triassic period, and that the
fossils which were found in the
rocks of this period were the same
as those found in the rocks of the
Triassic period in Europe.

time that the reptiles were the
dominant families in the world.
Later investigations made of the
soil displaced by the drilling of
the harbour in connection with
the proposed harbour improve-
ments convinced Dr. Williams, one
of the other geologists, that there
had been in comparatively recent
times a change of elevation here
of 100 feet. To volcanic activity
and erosion this same expert at-
tributed the placing into position
of huge masses of rock in the New
Territories. For erosion to take
place gases had to be brought
down by water into contact with
the rock, and he was of the opin-
ion that there were two distinct
periods of "igneous activity. The
consensus of opinion appears to
be that Hongkong was separated
from the mainland more recently
than Formosa and other large
islands in this part of the world,
and discoveries which have helped
considerably in this placing of the
origin of Hongkong, Kowloon and
the New Territories were those of
Dr. Hearnley, of Hongkong, of
certain "butterflies" in the New
Territories, common to a certain
period, and remains of "the pig-
tailed monkey." From a general
as well as a geological standpoint
this discovery was of considerable
importance, and enabled the ex-
perts to place the oldest rocks
back to the upper part of the
mesozoic period, a difference in
their original calculation of
millions and millions of years.
Whilst the chief value of their in-
vestigations to Hongkong, Kow-
loon and the New Territories, lies
more in the indication of the
nature and suitability for certain
purposes of the soil, of certain
localities, the future work of the
experts operating here will be
observed with interest, and it is
satisfactory to note that further
practical use is being made of
their technical and expert know-
ledge by submitting to them cer-
tain facts and samples with a view
to obtaining knowledge which will
render impossible of recurrence
such lamentable disasters as that
of Po Hing Fong.

LEAVE A CARD

The change of administration of
the Government of Hongkong
which has taken place will prob-
ably be taken advantage of by

many to repair an omission in
respect of which those concerned
ought to feel guilty in that their
forgetfulness or procrastination
might be taken as deliberate dis-
courtesy—the matter of leaving
cards at Government House and
conforming to social etiquette in
respect of official functions taking
place there. There was, of course,
no reason why such omission
should not have been repaired by
eleventh hour rectification during
Sir Edward's tenure of office
which would doubtless have been
as effective so far as official re-
cognition was concerned, as one
made at the inception of the new
administration, but to most de-
quents the latter procedure will
probably appear more symbolic of
entrance upon a new stage in re-
gard to a matter which may ap-
pear trivial but which involves an
important principle. The present
may not therefore be inopportune
to stress the lines along which the
particular procedure follows.

On the occasion of the first
call, cards should be left as well
as names written in the book.
The call should be repeated
after every occasion on which
one has been formally enter-
tained at Government House,
upon the appointment of an
Officer to Administer the Govern-
ment in the Governor's
absence, immediately on the re-
turn of the Governor from
leave, within the first few days
of January of each year and
before departure. P.P.C. On
any of these occasions it is
sufficient to write names in the
book without cards being left.
The reason for calls being re-
quired at the beginning of the
year is, of course, that a new
alphabetical register of visitors' names
is then commenced, the
old one containing many
names of people who have left
the Colony, whilst notifications
regarding departure for leave
are of help in keeping the
register up to date. These may
be made by despatch of P.P.C.
Card to the A.D.C. if cir-
cumstances do not permit of a call
being made.

The fulfilment of duties such as
these could hardly be considered
onerous and they represent, when
all is said and done, symbols
by which one recognises His
Majesty's Government and places
oneself under its protection,
besides, strengthening con-
siderably the hands of the A.D.C.
Upon the ground of courtesy alone
every resident should see that he
is not delinquent.

A THOUGHT FOR SUNDAY.

"Thy Will Be Done"

A very common form of teach-
ing nowadays is to respect these
words of Christ as enjoining upon
us a spirit of resignation to the
will of God in all affairs of life,
and of Himself as living on earth
in a perpetual state of annihila-
tion of His own will before that of
His Father in Heaven.

But surely the Gospel-record
of the life of Jesus tells us nothing
of the kind. We read of Christ
for ever seeking by prayer to keep
His will in conformity with God's
will, and His life thus became for
all men through all time the per-
fect example of a life of obedience
to God. Yet there is a vast deal
of difference between this
obedience, the willing ranging of
ourselves on God's side, and what
seems to be the modern prevalent
notion of a mere, meek, static re-
signment. Christ could never
have meant that, when He taught
us to pray "Thy will be done."
The very essence of Christianity
lies in the promotion of the highest
development of the ideal of human
individuality and faculty for self-
determination implied in the
words "Child of God." To have
God for our Father can mean no
less than that, in this matter as
in all others, we are akin to Christ
the Son; and must therefore have
wills, strong wills, of our own; to
be exerted, as was Christ's,
willingly, wilfully, recklessly, on
the side of God.

ITALIAN OPERA.

LUCIA DE LAMMERMOOR.

As was expected a large audience
thoroughly enjoyed this advancing
opera at the Theatre Royal last
night. The singing was again
superb and the famous sextette and
the "mad" song were particularly
received.

The company opens a short
season to-night at the Star Theatre.
Among the passengers leaving
Hongkong by the "President
Lincoln" this afternoon are Mr.
and Mrs. R. M. McCandless and
Mr. Bullock (all for San Fran-
cisco) and Mr. T. C. Macnamara
(for New York). The "President
Lincoln" will leave for Shanghai

SHREDS AND PATCHES.

NOVEMBER 8TH. The unconquer-
ed Post.

The author of
one of the greatest pieces of
literature the world has known
received a bare ten pounds for his
masterpiece. The work in ques-
tion was none other than
"Paradise Lost" and the author,
of course, the famous John Milton
who is regarded to-day as, after
Shakespeare, the greatest poet the
world has ever known. As has
seemed to have been almost in-
variably the case with those who
achieved greatness in the past
Milton's life was not a happy one,
and the crowning bitterness came
to him in 1654 when he became
totally blind. However, Milton
possessed the unconquerable soul,
as witness his famous, inspiring
poem: "On His Blindness" which
shows that he willingly submitted
to all that the All Wise thought
best.

Much of his best work was
written—dictated in the most part
to his daughters—during his
blindness, amongst them being
"Paradise Lost" and "Paradise
Regained." Milton died on
November 8, 1674, and was buried
in the church of St. Giles, Cripples-
gate.

Any one who knows
anything at all of
English or Irish
politics during the last thirty-five
years will, at least know J. G.
Swift MacNeill by name. He sat
in the House of Commons from
1887 until 1918, without a break,
as a member of the Irish Party.
His wit and humor are unex-
ceeded by his fighting qualities,
and that these latter are of a high
order was borne witness to by
Admiral ("Jacky") Fisher, who
once said to him:

"Mr. MacNeill, you're a damned
good fighter. I wish to God I had
you with me in the navy."

After much pestering by
friends and others, Mr. MacNeill
has written his reminiscences, or
rather "a bundle of anecdotes" as
he prefers to call "What I Have
Seen and Heard." He has stories
to tell of more famous men than
one can readily think of, and he
tells them in an inimitable style.
A few taken at random, follow.

Theophilus Swift, a kinsman of
the famous Dean Swift, and of
Swift MacNeill, himself, sent a
challenge to Colonel Lennox.
They met and Swift was very
dangerously wounded. Eventual-
ly he recovered and many years
later, in 1897, when Colonel
Lennox had become Duke of Rich-
mond and Lord Lieutenant of
Ireland, he attended a Viceroy's
Levee.

Making a pun, he humorously
reminded the new Lord Lieuten-
ant of the duel.

"When last I had the honour of
waiting on your Grace," he said,
"I received better entertainment."

THE AGE OF THE EARTH.

The "Daily Herald" admirably
sums up Professor Lamb's speech
on the age of the earth as follows:—

"Old ideas of the age of the
earth, based on the rate at which
the planet would cool down, had
been modified in the light of our
knowledge of radio-activity."

"Estimates based on the occur-
rence of radio-active material had
led to the conclusion that a period
not shorter than 1,000,000,000
years, and not longer than
10,000,000,000 years, had elapsed
since the final solidifying of the
earth's crust."

"Even the shorter period, the
speaker commented, gave ample
scope for what he described as the
'drama of evolution.'"

"Professor Lamb went on to
discuss the fascinating problem of
the earth's interior. An immense
period of time, he indicated, would
be necessary for the earth's core to
fall to one-half of its original tem-
perature. In the space of time I
have mentioned," he said, "the great
masses of the earth could hardly have
cooled very much from the tempera-
ture when it was in a state of
fusion, i.e., molten."

"So the speaker was left with the
impression of a red-hot, molten mass
in the earth's interior, a mass which
has taken a thousand million years
not to solidify."

"In the professor's words, the
exterior of the earth might be
floating on an internal globe of
liquid—but he hastened, with true
scientific caution, to add that no
assertion is really made, or is neces-
sary, to this effect."

"Geologists and biologists, on the
one hand, and students of physics
on the other, need to be at odds on
fundamental questions bearing on
the age of the earth. The former
called for a longer period for work-
ing out the drama of evolution than
the physicists would allow."

for on that occasion your Grace
gave me a ball."

The Duke smiled.
"Then," he said, "the least I
can do now is to give you a brace
of balls."

And he instructed his controller
to send out immediately the in-
vitations for two festivities in
Swift's honour.

Sir Benjamin Guinness (of
Stout fame) was a man of real
public munificence. He it was
who restored St. Patrick's Cathed-
ral, Dublin, when it was prac-
tically falling into ruin, an act
which might have been spared the
jests which were levelled at the
idea of the restoration of a cathed-
ral with money obtained in the
drink trade. Many of these jibes
were ill-natured, but it must be
admitted that they were not with-
out wit. I remember one (says
Mr. Swift MacNeill) to the effect
that the preacher at the opening
service after the restoration would
be bound in all propriety to take
the text of his sermon from the
"He brews."

Many perhaps re-
QUEST: member Kate
Douglas Wiggin and
her cabbage-patch series of books.
Her sister is publishing a book of
the letters which reached her in
the course of her life. Here is a
quaint one:

KATE DOUGLAS WIGGIN.

Dear Sister:

I see by the papers that you
have published a song-book for
the little ones, called "Kinder-
garten-Chimes."

Will you send me a copy for
use in my Sunday School work,
and wait for your pay till the
Great Judgment Day?

Yours in the faith,

Office of the Wild
Rose Balm.

ANOTHER ONE, Rose Balm.

MRS. KATE DOUGLAS WIGGIN.

Dear Madam:

Our Mr. Hendricks was among
your hearers last evening and he
remarked that as you stepped
upon the stage you shed abroad
an atmosphere of such elegance
and refinement as showed you to
be a person accessible to beauty in
any form.

Those who have read your mov-
ing little tales (and who has not?),
know you to be entirely above the
use of cosmetics, but it would be
both laudable and legitimate if
you should use some simple emol-
lient and thereby preserve those
charms with which Nature has
endowed you so lavishly.

We send you herewith 6 bottles of
the W.R.B. If you should feel
you could give us a testimonial
we should be deeply grateful but in
any event dear Madam we shall be
glad to have served you.

Yours respectfully & admiringly,
THE W. R. B. CO.,
per HENDRICKS.

LINK WITH PAST. DEATH OF KING OF ANNAM. KHAI-DINH PASSES. Former Hongkong Governor's Visit.

(Reuter's Service.)

SAIGON, November 6. The death has taken place of the King of Annam, ruler of the French protectorate between Tongking and Cochinchina. With his death passes one of the most picturesque figures of Oriental romance.

Seemingly dead in the ancient past but with power to revive its ancient splendour is how the country has been described over which the late Khai-Dinh, King of Annam, exercised his benevolent sway.

It will be recalled that in April of this year Sir R. E. Stubbs paid a visit to the late Khai-Dinh and saw something of the splendour and pageant which upon the occa-

rank of their owners. Followed the King himself, sitting in a lofty palanquin of wonderful design, studded by jewels; the King's horses which none but he may mount, white robed Brahmins and musicians.

The late King's domain is a protectorate administered by the French Governor of Indo-China, but administration is left as far as possible in native hands and



The King of Annam in royal robes.

sion of an earlier visit had led Lord Northcliffe to the following panegyric: "We saw the King in the resplendent 12th century durbar which he had personally organised and produced. I say, 'produced' for no other word can describe the astonishing result of his minute and laborious supervision. The spectacle lasted for three-quarters of an hour; and the procession included over 2,000 people. Princes, Princesses, Court officials, mandarins, many bands of musicians, 50 elephants, the Royal horses and bullock carts by the score."

"The Princes, the Ministers, the Princesses, the King's wives, old and young, the maids of honour, dressed in shot silks of every hue and blazoning with jewels went by in palanquins; and over the heads of Princes and of great men nodded the many-tiered State umbrellas denoting by their number and the number of their tiers the

native tradition and sentiment are respected. French authority is firmly but not ostentatiously displayed and the great task has been achieved of opening up the country developing agriculture, communications and commerce and turning decaying and perpetually warring Oriental kingdoms into a secure and flourishing region without denationalising the people or interfering with their faith and forms of life."

FRANCE AND SIAM.

(Reuter's Service.)

Paris, Nov. 6. M. Wilson, France's Consul General at Shanghai, has been appointed Minister to Bangkok to replace M. Pila who was sent to Siam on a special mission to sign the new Franco-Siam agreement concerning Indo-China.

"La Mafin" says of this agreement that advice received from Indo-China state that the French colonists welcome the agreement for they feel quite easy in their activity. It emphasizes the wisdom of the Siamese administration and the substantial services it has done and will render to its Indo-Chinese neighbour, Huay.

Madrid, November 6. — The Hispano-Japanese Treaty of Commerce is signed and it will operate immediately. — Reuter.

Sales of Crown Land are to take place at the District Office Tai Po at 11.30 a.m. on Wednesday the 18th inst.

Madrid, November 6. — The Spanish and Japanese Governments have signed a Treaty of Commerce. It will come into operation forthwith. — Reuter.

Paris, November 6. — Senator Henry de Jouvenel, Editor of "Le Matin," has accepted the High Commission of the High Commission to General Sarraute. — Reuter.

London, November 6. — Messrs. J. and P. Cowi, net profits for the year ended June 30, were £3,855, 699, the best since the boom years, 1918 and 1920. The annual distribution of profits amounts to 17.5 per cent, as in the previous five years. — Reuter.

SOVIET AND TRADE.

(Reuter's Service.)

Moscow, Nov. 6. The central committee of the Russian Communist party collaborating with representatives of the Communist of Foreign Trade have approved a resolution declaring that monopoly of foreign trade is one of the factors for the development of the productive powers of Soviet Russia and a protection against economic domination by foreign capital. It recommends the improvement of the methods of maintaining the monopoly by organising special limited exporting and importing companies operating through Soviet trade delegations, and the formation of companies for the export of timber, butter, coal and furs, and the import of cotton textile and agriculture machinery and plant for iron, steel, electrical and chemical industries. It also urges the simplification of the system of licensing exports and imports.

Shanghai, November 6. — Minor battles yesterday resulted in Kichen changing hands three times and Tientsin twice. It is reported that the allied troops now hold both towns. The main armies are apparently waiting to see the attitude of the Houmang before launching a general offensive. — Reuter.

"THE GOLD RUSH."

FACTS ABOUT CHARLIE'S MASTERPIECE.

That Charlie Chaplin has made his greatest comedy is the claim advanced by those who have seen the "Gold Rush" at the Queen's Theatre.

The little comedian in his famous character of old has created, in one episode, more laughs per foot than are usually shown in feature comedies. But laughs alone are not to be relied upon to make this photoplay Chaplin's greatest. The story and dramatics of the production are revolutionary.

Based on the stirring days of the Klondike and the gold rush to Alaska—the hardships endured by the pioneers who journeyed to that icebound country are depicted with intense realism. The drama of the soul sufferings of the sordid who braved mountains, ice, and snow, starvation and death, in a mad rush for gold.

"Chilkoot Pass," the famous gateway to the great Klondike, a tortuous path, cut through the snows over a precipitous mountain side, the pass which struck terror in the heart of the bravest and where many perished—this has been duplicated by Chaplin, and the hardships endured have been re-enacted before the camera with terrific realism.

Presented on the screen, this is an epic in the history of Alaska and more of this famous, forbidding and awe-inspiring country will be known and understood now Chaplin's human story has reached the public.

Chaplin in the role of a hard-luck sordid presents a biography of life—of understanding, and while the pathos and sufferings are converted into laughter, the tragedies of many can be clearly understood in the pathetic portrayal of the little comedian.

Many spectacular scenes have been filmed in the High Sierras. These are not only scenically beautiful but are perfectly in keeping with Alaskan atmosphere and are the greatest scenes of spectacle yet filmed in the big snows.

A production of great magnitude was built at the Chaplin studio. A mining camp of the early days was there, also a reproduction of the main section of Nome during the days of '98. A background of mountains and snow-capped peaks was built.

On entering the studio grounds one experienced not only a thrill, but a chill from the realistic effect of snow created by this scenic masterpiece. An inexpressible feeling came over you as you stood amidst this ice and snow, while the hot Californian sun almost causes snow blindness from the reflection.

TARIFF MEETING.

(Reuter's Service.)

Peking, Nov. 6. The committee of two of the Tariff Conference held its first session this morning, all the Powers being represented. Mr. C. T. Wang was elected chairman.

Mr. Wang briefly re-stated the position of the Chinese delegation in connection with the work before the committee and called on Mr. W. W. Yen to lay before the committee the detailed proposal of the Chinese Government regarding the rates of taxes on imports during the interim before the granting of tariff autonomy.

These include a five per cent. surtax on ordinary goods, a thirty per cent. tax on wines and tobacco, and a twenty per cent. surtax, "B" grade, on luxuries.

The reasons for the Chinese proposals were then presented by Tsai Ting-kun, Baron Yoshizawa then presented a statement. Mr. Straw explained in detail the American plan made on November 3.

M. Cernik, in the course of the general discussion made a statement urging that the Powers should know the needs to which economic domination by foreign the Chinese Government suggested that the increased revenue should be devoted. The Chinese delegation undertook to furnish further details of its plan for discussion at the next meeting, the date whereof has not been announced.

Ottawa, November 6. — The seizure at Vancouver of \$100,000 worth of morphine contained in trunks from Germany and labelled for Japan is expected to result in the arrest of a number of German smugglers and the exposure of a scheme for smuggling morphine into Canada from Japan. Officials of the Department of Health believe the drugs were shipped from Germany via Quebec to Japan and smuggled back from Japan.

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WEDDING BELLS.

DAUGHTER OF CHAIRMAN, H.K. & S. BANK.

GUARDS' CHAPEL CEREMONY.

Considerable interest was taken in the wedding at the Guards' Chapel, Wellington Barracks, of Miss Susan Addis, third daughter of Sir Charles Addis, Chairman of the London Committee, Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, Director of the Bank of England, etc.

The bridegroom was Major Roland Lawrence, M.C., Coldstream Guards, elder son of Sir Walter and Lady Lawrence of 94, Eaton Square and Birchwood, East Grinstead.

The Rev. J. A. James, Chaplain to the Brigade of Guards, and the Rev. Severn Majendie officiated, and Sir Charles Addis gave his daughter away.

Miss Addis wore a gown of ivory panne velvet, with a train of the same material, having a pointed collar and a full skirt. Over this was draped a shawl of old Limerick lace, lent by the bridegroom's mother, and a tulle veil fell from a wreath of orange blossoms. She carried a bouquet of white roses and white heather, and was attended by a little page and five bridesmaids. The former—Miss Geoffrey Bourne-May—was in a white satin suit, and the bridesmaids, who included the bride's three sisters—the Misses Robina, Henrietta, and Margaret Addis—Miss Joyce Simpson and Miss Mary Leveson, wore dresses of blue georgette over pink. Each attendant carried a bouquet of pink roses and white heather.

The best man was Colonel the Hon. Trevor Lawrence, R.H.A. Both the bridegroom and Colonel Lawrence wore uniform, and warrant officers, N.C.O.'s, and men of the 1st Coldstream Guards formed a guard of honour. The reception after the wedding was held by Lady Addis at 6A, Primrose Hill Road, and among those present were:—

Sir Walter and Lady Lawrence (parents of the bridegroom), Lord and Lady Lawrence of Kingsgate, the Misses Jean and Rachel Addis (sisters of the bride), Messrs. C. T. G. H. J. M., and R. G. Addis (brothers of the bride), Miss Addis (aunt), Mrs. Addis with Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Richter, the Hon. Clive and Mrs. Lawrence, Mrs. Thorburn Addis, Mrs. Richard Lawrence and Miss Dorothy Lawrence, Major and Mrs. A. E. Lawrence, Mr. and Mrs. Francis R. James, Mrs. David Addis, Miss Geraldine Lawrence, Mr. Charles L. Lawrence, Lord and Lady Askwith, the Hon. George and Lady Agnes Peel, Lady Ada Boyd, the Master of Elibank and the Hon. Mrs. Gideon Murray, Sir George and the Hon. Lady Leveson-Gower, Lady Thynne and Miss Angela Thynne, Sir Robert and Lady Ho Tung, Sir Francis and Miss Younghusband, Admiral Sir Arthur and Lady Leveson and Miss P. Leveson, Judge Sir Alfred Tobin, Sir John and Lady Struthers, Sir Cecil and Lady Beck, Sir George Younghusband, Sir Elliot Colvin, Sir James and Lady Dods, the Dowager Lady Jackson, Lady Peter, Sir Donald and Lady Robertson, Edith Lady Bradford, Sir Christopher Magnay, Mrs. Chandos-Leigh, and Lady (John) Miller.

BANK NOTES.

CIRCULATION IN OCTOBER.

Returns of the average amount of Bank Notes in circulation and of Specie in Reserve in Hongkong, during the month ended 31st October, 1925, as certified by the Managers of the respective Banks.

Bank	Average Amount in Hongkong	Specie in Reserve
Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China	\$14,713,018	5,000,000*
Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation	\$40,371,709	35,000,000†
Merchants Bank of India, Limited	\$1,204,048	550,000‡
Total	\$56,288,775	40,550,000

* In addition Sterling Securities deposited with the Crown Agents valued at \$1,049,500.

† In addition Securities deposited with the Crown Agents and State Government valued at \$1,050,000.

‡ In addition Securities deposited with the Crown Agents valued at \$750,000.

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OBITUARY.

SIR WILLIAM RYCROFT, K.C.M.G.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, Nov. 6.

The death is announced of Major-General Sir William Rycroft.

[Sir William Rycroft was until early this year the Governor of British North Borneo. He was for a time in a hospital in Singapore and later decided to give up his post on account of ill-health.]

Sir William was born in 1861. After Eton and Sandhurst he entered the Army in 1879 and served with the Nile Expedition; saw action at Sarra in 1888, being mentioned in dispatches. He commanded the 11th Hussars from 1902 to 1908. He had a staff appointment in South Africa in 1899-1900 and in 1911-12. He was mentioned in dispatches in Somaliland and received a medal and two clasps.

He served throughout the European War, was mentioned in dispatches on seven occasions, was promoted to the rank of Major-General and given the K.C.M.G. He was also Knight of Grace, St. John of Jerusalem, had the Legion of Honour, Croix de Commandeur, Orders of the White Eagle of Serbia, Redeemer of Greece, Star of Rumania, and the Greek Order of Merit. He retired in 1921 and was appointed Governor of British North Borneo in 1922.]

PROFESSOR JOHN LANGLEY.

London, Nov. 6.

The death is announced of Professor John Langley.

[Professor John Langley was a distinguished fellow of the Royal Society. He was born in 1852. His career at Cambridge was distinguished and he took first class in the Natural Sciences Tripos. He became a medalist of the Royal Society in 1892 and seven years later became President of Section 1 of the British Association. He was a member of many scientific societies in England and abroad and wrote widely on science. He was editor of the "Journal of Physiology" and a professor in that subject at Cambridge. During his lifetime he was given honorary degrees by the St. Andrews, Dublin, Groningen and Strasbourg universities.]

MR. ARTHUR LANE.

A former Hongkong resident has passed away at Home in the person of Mr. Arthur Lane, formerly Chief Officer of the Hongkong Fire Brigade. Death took place at his residence at Instow, North Devon.

Mr. Lane played a large part in organising the fire fighting force of the Colony on a footing to enable it to cope with modern requirements and was largely responsible for the initiation of the up-to-date equipment and high standard maintained by the force which looks after the rapidly growing interests on the Kowloon peninsula.

The late Mr. Lane, who was 59 years of age, retired a few years ago.

Moscow, November 6. — It is semi-officially stated that the Soviet Government has ratified the programme for oil production in Russia for the year 1925 at 513,000,000 poods and assigned 119,000,000 roubles for the renewal of the plant and equipment of the industry. Last year's programme of oil production which was fixed at 418,000,000 poods was exceeded by three per cent. — Reuter.

CHURCH NOTICES.

A CHURCH OF ONE DOLLAR IS BUILT FOR ALL NATIONS UNDER THIS HEADING.

WESLEYAN METHODIST CHURCH, WANCHAI.

Sunday, November 8.

Divine Service, 10.15 a.m. and 6 p.m.

Preacher: Rev. A. H. Bray, M.A., B.D.

8.15 p.m. Chaplain's Meeting in Sailors' and Soldiers' Home, Arsenal Street.

Wednesday November 11. (Armistice day) — Concert and Social in Sailors' and Soldiers' Home. Seat at 8 p.m.

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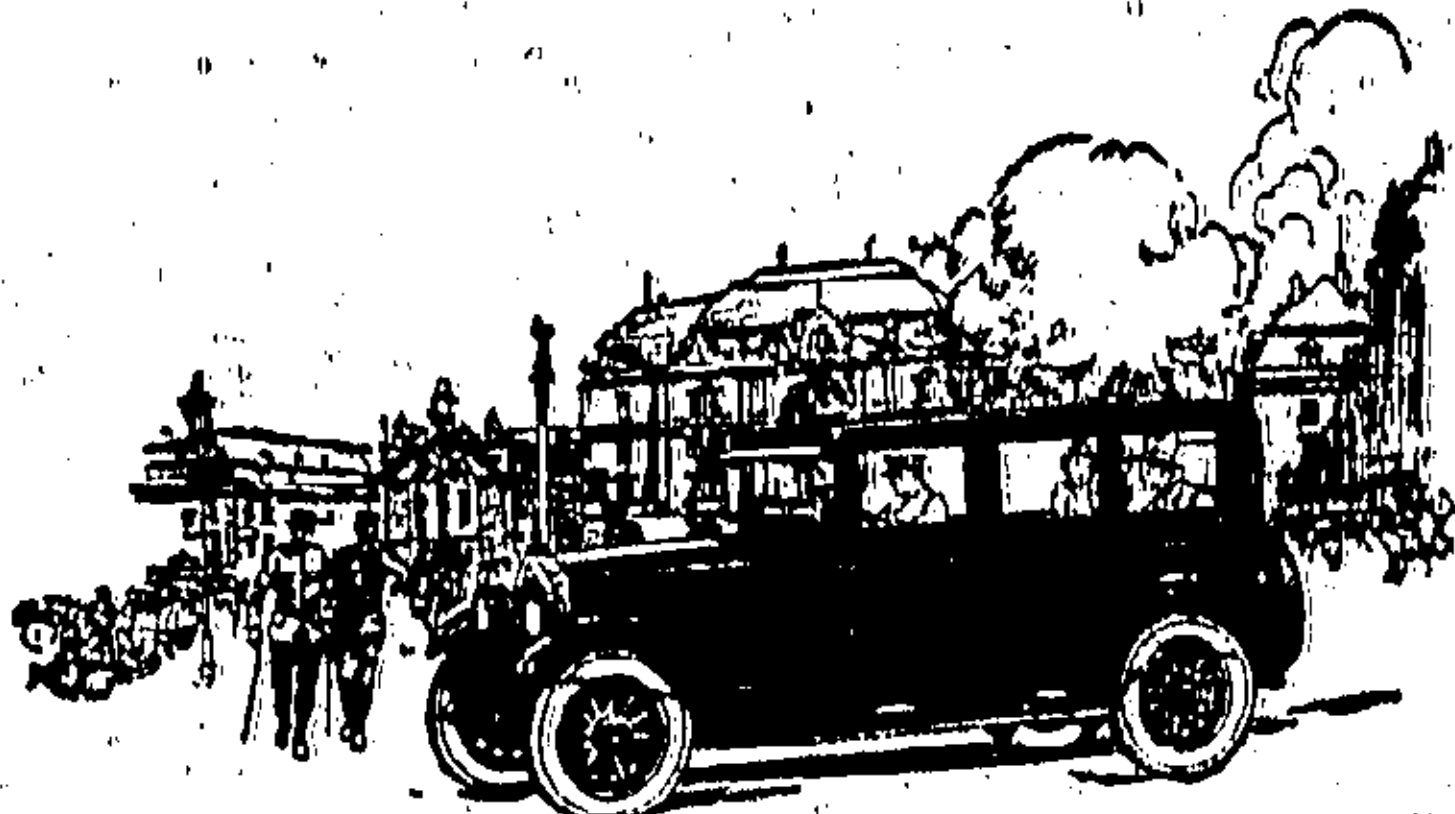
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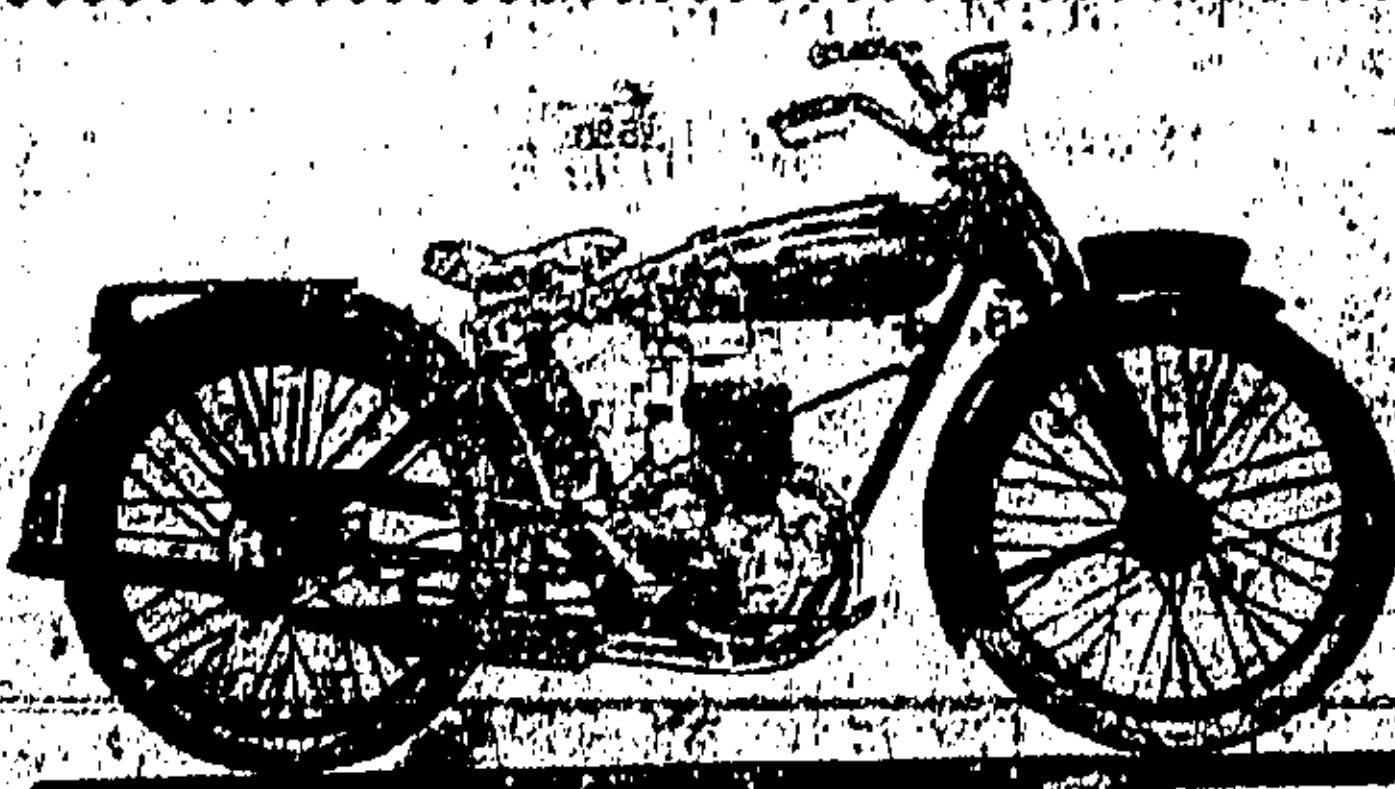
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A skyscraper twenty stories tall in the middle of the campus at Yale was mentioned by Dean Frederick S. Jones as a possibility for a solution to the problems of the future expansion of the school. A skyscraper, Dean Jones said, would relieve the congestion which forces Yale to house a large part of its students in separate houses for lack of dormitories.

Japanese newspapers and civic associations have launched a campaign with the slogan, "Eat Less Rice." For high and low, rice is the staple food in Japan, and rice grown in Japan is much more popular than any foreign variety. The result has been that, with the increase in population, the demand has exceeded the supply, and prices have risen accordingly. At least once a year there is a serious rice shortage. This new movement is designed to educate the people to eat barley in place of rice, thus eliminating such crises.

In some sections of the Mississippi delta, where the cotton crop is larger and better than in several years, pickers have been imported and fancy wages offered. Efforts have been made to induce some of the thousands of negroes in the cities of the North to return to engage in field work. Special excursion rates have been offered by several railroads, but with small degree of success. Hundreds of Mexicans have been imported from Texas, and many more are coming, and they are proving satisfactory. Their rail fares are paid and enough work will be available to keep them busy for several months.

A dog tax is the latest scheme seized upon by the Tupan of Shantung to enhance his coffers. In this case it may be said that his bark is as worse as his bite.

The O.M.S.—the Organisation for the Maintenance of Supplies, have been inundated with letters containing offers of support in response to their recent appeal. The letters come from all parts of England, and although a large staff is hard at work dealing with the mass of correspondence it will be two or three days before replies to each letter can be dispatched.

There is more political activity in Japan to-day than at any previous time in its history, due to the recent grant of universal manhood suffrage, which will be applied for the first time soon. The chief manifestation is the formation of many new parties. The 9,000,000 men who will vote for the first time in the next general election come mainly from the working classes, the right to vote previously having been based upon the amount of taxes paid—property qualification. The attempt to organise the new voters into parties is being made chiefly by labour leaders and Buddhist priests.

Information from one of the gramophone companies will interest many others besides gramophone users. The company in question had the happy thought of trying to stimulate interest in contemporary poetry by issuing a series of records of present-day verse. One of our best known poets was asked to choose poems, and artists to recite them. He rejected all the names of famous actors and actresses which were submitted to him, and selected reciters who are at present unknown, saying that no one on the stage to-day had any idea how to deal with modern poetry. It will be instructive to discover whether he is right, and, if so, what is wrong with the stage in this respect.

Mary had been sent out to buy a jar of honey. "And be sure," said her mistress, who is an ardent supporter of "Buy British Goods," "that it is British." Mary returned, however, without the honey. "Couldn't you get it?" asked her mistress. "No, mum," was the reply, "they hadn't any British—only English and New Zealand."

Behind grey walls, the Bank of England is being rebuilt in secret. Workmen come and go from the little enclosed "city" in the heart of London, but as they leave the walls they leave all information concerning their tasks behind them. Only these and a few officials know how far the work has progressed since it was first begun about six months ago. There is an official ban on all such details being made public.

The billiard battles between Newman and Smith rarely fail to provide interest and incident, and their present match is no exception to the rule. The plodding amateur may find consolation in the fact that both these past masters of their art have serious faults of style—that is, according to the text books. Newman tucks the elbow of his cue arm into his side, while Smith, when taking aim, keeps the cue well away from the ball. These, however, are the eccentricities of genius.

A satisfactory future of the German automobile industry is forecast by Dr. Gustav Blum, prominent industrial authority of Frankfurt, now that the German automobile tariff has been accepted. In Germany, said Dr. Blum, the motor truck business has continued to be of unaltered excellence, but he admitted a marked diminution in the private motor car business. This he attributed to the fact that the travelling season is in full swing, when all prospective buyers have made their purchases, and to the existing tightness of the money market.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

The Craigengower Cricket Club will hold their second subscription dance of the season at 9.15 p.m. to-night.

Dr. Charles Macpherson, the Examiner for the Associated Board of Royal Academy of Music and Royal College of Music, will arrive in Ceylon on November 11.

Mr. J. A. E. da Silva is endeavouring to persuade the Italian Grand Opera Co. at present showing in Hongkong to present some of their productions in Macao.

During the week end the Rev. Father Pages of the district Seminary of Penang paid a visit to Macao when he was the guest of His Lordship the Bishop of Macao.

H.E. the Governor, Mr. Cecil Clementi, C.M.G., has been pleased to accept the office of Patron of the Hongkong and China District of the St. John Ambulance Brigade and also that of President of the Local Centre of the St. John Ambulance Association.

At dinner an excitable lady told the late Lord Kitchener in alarm that she believed she had seen German soldiers in a train. "K" smiled, and said: "Perhaps they were Russians!" This odder dicta was at once given wide currency in illustrious social circles, and soon swept the kingdom.

At a meeting of the Committee of the Macao Club it was proposed by Mr. J. A. E. da Silva to raise funds for the many poor Chinese who were rendered homeless by the recent fire which destroyed so many of the little hovels that exist behind the ruins of St. Paul's Church. Mr. Loo Hing Ching, president of the Chinese Hospital, was invited to express his views on the subject.

W. Somerset Maugham, who wrote "The Painted Veil," is so full of humour that he can't get it all out. Incidentally, he stamps "which makes it still more difficult. Maugham is an eccentric who suddenly dashes off to the Antipodes without leaving his address and whose passage round the world is usually littered with letters and papers." He is a man who will always be remembered.

They are now seeking in London a hall suitable for Tahra Bey, the Egyptian "fakir," who is coming to London on November 30 to give ten exhibitions. Albert de Courville is paying him \$350 a performance, the first of which will take place in the presence of hundreds of doctors. At Deauville, Tahra Bey was the wonder of the season; he is now crowding a theatre in the Champs Elysees, where he is being paid £1,800 for fourteen shows. "Stop him! Stop him!" That is what women shout when they see pins stuck in the Egyptian after he has thrown himself into a trance.

The Earl of Balfour is the Parliamentary Chief responsible for Government research work. He attended a conference the other day at which various scientific men spoke at length. He lounged in his chair, with his eyes half-closed, apparently far away in his thoughts, and paying no attention to the extreme complicated arguments of the men of science. To their surprise, towards the end of the conference he opened his eyes and commenced to ask certain leading questions and put certain points in a way that proved that he had not missed any part of the argument, and that he was able to add his own special knowledge, in order that the discussion might have a fruitful result.



H.E. the Governor and Mrs. Clementi donated Rs. 150 to the Colombo "The Not Forgotten Fund."

Mr. and Mrs. P. W. Parker are passengers on the "President Jefferson" which left Hongkong on Thursday.

Mr. George S. Pinchin, of St. James-court, S.W., whose estate is valued at £142,125, left £1,000 to Thomas M. Carter, of Canton Street, E., as a small return for his loyalty to me.

Sir Arthur Wheeler, Bart., the millionaire stockbroker of Leicester, has purchased Brownsea Island, Poole Harbour, as a place of retreat from the rush and worry of the world. The island, which is five miles in circumference, and has cost £150,000, is described by its new owner as a little paradise. Here he intends in the summer to live the life of a hermit, and have a quiet and restful time. One of its main attractions, says Sir Arthur, is that it has no police and no tramears, and motor cars and charabans are unknown. Sir Arthur, who started as a junior clerk in the office of an estate agent, was one of the principals in the purchase of the Beecham estates.

Mrs. Wilson, who has stayed in the Bartholomew Secheron Villa, just beyond the Palace of the Nations at Geneva, has had two women friends with her. This villa, on the lake, surrounded by gardens and flowering trees is in an ideal spot. Beyond there are public gardens planted with palms, yews, and all kinds of rare trees and plants, the gift of a philanthropist to the city of Geneva. Upon her arrival a committee representing the city presented Mrs. Wilson with a basket of flowers, accompanied by the following gracious note:—Madame: On offering you these few humble flowers allow us to present you with our good wishes. We join the expression of our respectful homage to the memory of President Wilson, founder of the League of Nations. Geneva will never forget that it is to him that it owes it to have been chosen as seat of this magnificent institution whose happy influence moves from day to day and whose beneficent effects are making themselves felt to the ends of the earth. The memory of President Wilson will always be remembered.

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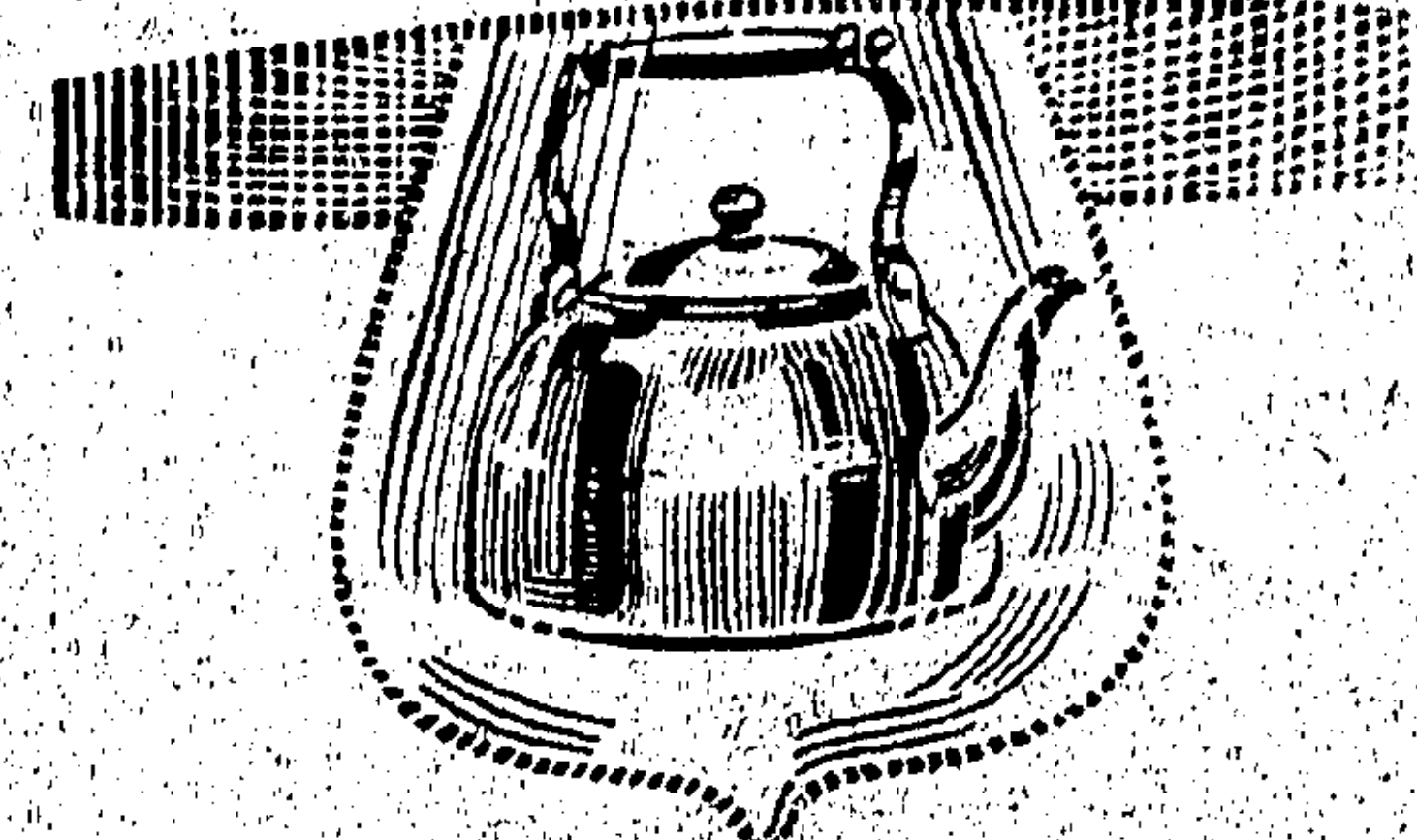
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"CHINA MAIL" SPORTS PAGE

LI WAI-TONG.

REPORTED MARRIED IN SHANGHAI.

ACCOMPLISHES "HAT TRICK."

[By W.P.C.]

Hongkong footballers who remember Li Wai-tong, the South China and interport inside-left forward, who was one of the favourites of the crowd last season, will be interested to hear of a report that he has married a Chinese lady in Shanghai.

Shanghai vernacular papers write glowingly of his first match in public. He turned out for a Chinese club against another Chinese club, and scored three goals to the opposition's one.

A term used in description of him, translated broadly, reads "famed in the portals of East and West, and football exponent, news of whose ability has spread like thunder."

His Hongkong friends look to his early return.

REGIMENTS MEET.

SURREYS BEAT MEN ON TROOPSHIP.

YESTERDAY'S SOCCER.

Although they were on ship-board till yesterday morning and in view of the fact that some of them had to play with borrowed gear, the football eleven of the 1st East Yorks, who are passing through on the t.s. "Derbyshire" for North China, gave a sound display against the 2nd East Surreys, the local infantry regiment, who won by 4 goals to 2 after a rousing game at the Garrison ground, Sookumpoo, in the afternoon.

H. G. Howard, winning the long jump with a leap of 16 feet 4 1/2 inches at last Saturday's South China Col's (Volunteers) inter-plateau sports. See also page 18. (Photo by Lee Feng.)

The teams were:—
Surreys: Cpl. Douglas; Pte. Cooper, Pte. Jordan; Sgt. Mitchell, Pte. McGreavy, Pte. Bristow; Q.M.S. Charlesworth, Pte. Eaton, Cpl. Humberstone, Pte. Butler, Bandsman Macklesworth.
Yorks: Bandsman Kelly; Pte. Gladhill, Sgt. Rudd; Pte. Duffy, Pte. Silo, Pte. Parkinson; Cpl. Rattray, Pte. Fisk, Cpl. McMillan, Pte. Holmes, Cpl. Doydan.
Referee: C. S. M. Wright, Surreys.

From a pass by Eaton, Charlesworth scored with a dropping shot which went in close to the bar. (1-0). A free kick just outside the penalty, for a foul against Humberstone, was cleared. McMillan equalised with a lovely shot (1-1). Eaton next gave the local men the lead again with a lob (2-1). After the interval a shot from Mitchell struck a post and rebounded into play when Rudd fouled Butler. Butler took the penalty kick awarded and shot straight into the hands of Kelly who saved. Bringing the ball up with Eaton, Humberstone scored confidently (3-1) and then Fisk got a goal in a mix-up with the Surrey custodian out of position (3-2). Later on Eaton drew Kelly and walked the ball into an open goal (4-2), this ending the scoring.

WATER POLO.

DECIDING MATCH ON MONDAY.

NEXT SMOKING CONCERT.

The play-off between the K.B.S.F.P.A. "A" and the V.R.C. "A" in the Hongkong Water Polo League will take place on Monday evening at the Victoria Recreation Club. Both Clubs stand level for first position now.

The presentation of the Shield and medals to the winning team will take place next Friday evening at a smoking concert.

Owing to the intervention of examinations, the hockey match between the Hongkong Hockey Club "A" team and the University "B" team, was not played yesterday evening.

NEXT YEAR'S TESTS.

AUSTRALIANS' 3 CRICKET SELECTORS.

FOR THE ENGLISH TOUR.

Characteristic of the thoroughness with which they prepare for the cricket Test Matches with England, the Australian cricket authorities have appointed their selectors to choose the next team to visit the Homeland in the summer of 1926.

Although the Sheffield Cup inter-state matches have yet to be played, H. L. Collins, A. A. Mailey and W. A. Oldfield have been nominated selectors to choose the team of fifteen or so to visit England.

Collins, known as "Lucky Collins," was the Australian skipper last year and has abundant experience of English tours. Mailey came to light against J. W. H. T. Douglas's post-war M.C.C. team in Australia and was again successful under Warwick Armstrong in 1921. Oldfield went to England also in 1921 as first wicket-keeper and in the last series he proved a valuable batsman. The probable captain, one of the wicket-taking bowlers, and the stumper—all three of whom have played at Home—should certainly make an excellent combination for finding the right material to retain the Ashes.

HOME BOXING.

BRITISH HEAVYWEIGHT TITLE.

BOUT ON NOVEMBER 16.

London, October 3.

Phil Scott and Frank Goddard are to meet at Holland Park Hall for the heavy-weight championship and Lonsdale belt at present held by Goddard.

Articles for the match, which will take place on November 16, were signed at the N.S.C. to-day. The stakes are £200 a side.

WEEK-END SPORTS SUMMARY.

LEAGUE SOCCER.

ELEVEN FIXTURES FOR TO-DAY.

League football fixtures for to-day are as follows:—

Division I.

Hongkong Football Club v. South China, Club ground, 4.15 p.m.

Police v. Club de Recreio, Chinese ground, 4.15 p.m.

Surreys v. "Tamar," Sookumpoo "A" ground, 4.15 p.m.

Division II (Sec. A).

Surrey Reserves v. Club de Recreio "A," Sookumpoo "B" ground, 2.45 p.m.

South China "A" v. H.K.F.C. Reserves, Chinese ground, 2.45 p.m.

St. Joseph's College v. Surrey Drummers, Navy "B" ground, 4.15 p.m.

Division II (Sec. B).

Moslem Club "B" v. Drummers Reserves, Club ground, 2.45 p.m.

St. Joseph's Boarders v. Club de Recreio "B," Sookumpoo "A" ground, 2.45 p.m.

South China "B" v. Moslem Club "A," Kowloon ground, 2.45 p.m.

South China "C" v. Kowloon "B," Kowloon ground, 4.15 p.m.

St. Joseph's Reserves v. University, Sookumpoo "B" ground, 4.15 p.m.

"WHITE WINGS."

CHAMPIONSHIP YACHTS TO-DAY.

The R.H.K.Y.C. programme of championship races for to-day is:—

Handicaps, Hayward Hays and the One Design's sailing with the Gulls as one class. The course will be the same for all boats, Club line to Quarry Bay, Channel Rocks, Club line, Channel Rocks, Kowloon Rock and the finish at the Club line, a distance of eight and a third miles.

AQUATIC SPORTS.

The St. John Ambulance Brigade are holding their annual swimming sports at the V.R.C. bath to-morrow morning.

Readers of the "China Mail" sports page are invited to send to the Sports Editor, not later than 4 p.m. on Thursdays, items for publication in the Summary.

HARD COURTS.

HOME LAWN TENNIS RESULTS.

QUEEN'S CLUB TOURNEY.

(Times of Ceylon.)

London, October 13.

At Queen's Club, in the third round of the covered courts tournament, M. J. G. Ritchie, aged 55 years, beat S. M. Jacob, 6-3, 11-9, 6-2.

Eliggs beat Mishu, 4-6, 6-3, 6-4, 6-2.

Crawford beat Dicks, 10-8, 6-0, 6-1.

P. D. B. Spence beat George, 6-3, 6-2, 6-3, 6-1.

G. R. Crole beat Rees Watts, 6-4, 4-6, 6-3, 6-0.

Fisher beat Scovel, 5-7, 6-4, 7-5, 6-2.

The foregoing winners are in the last eight.

Ritchie bewildered the spectators with his uncanny play. He dominated play throughout with his superb side-line and passing shots, and concentrated on Jacob's back-hand.

The latter appeared to be disconcerted with the loss of the protracted second set, and thereafter was frequently beaten.

London, October 14.

In the fourth round of the Queen's Club covered courts competition, Rees walked over, Fisher having scratched.

In the third round of the ladies' singles, Mrs. Edington beat Miss Craddock, 10-8, 6-0.

Mrs. Beamish beat Miss Bennett, 6-2, 8-6.

The local military bathing season will end on Monday (Nov. 9) when bathing picquets will be withdrawn.

The following will represent the Kowloon "B" team in their league soccer match to-day with South China "C" on Kowloon ground kick-off 4.15 p.m.:—Ross; East, Shuster; White; Bliss, Nicholls; Jordan, Miles; Spary, Duncan, H. and Mason W. M.

CRICKET VENUES.

LEAGUE AND FRIENDLY MATCHES.

The cricket programme for to-day comprises five league matches and two friendly games, these being as under:—

Hongkong C.C. 1st XI v. East Surrey (League) on the H.K.C.C. ground.

Kowloon C.C. 1st XI v. Royal Navy (League) on the Kowloon ground.

University 1st XI v. Royal Artillery (League) on the University ground.

Civil Service C.C. "A" v. Indian R.C. 2nd XI (League) on the Civil Service ground.

Police R.C. v. Hongkong C.C. 2nd XI (League) on the Police ground.

Chinese R.C. v. Civil Service C.C. on the Chinese ground.

Craigengower C.C. v. Hongkong Electric Co. on the Craigengower ground.

LOCAL GOLF.

Golfers will find plenty to do at Fanling during the week-end where the following events are on the list:—

Saturday (November 7) to Monday (November 9), Captain's Cup, on the old course.

Saturday (November 7) to Wednesday (November 11), men's dollar medal round under handicap, on the old course; mixed foursomes against bogey (no competition unless 15 cards are taken out), on the new course.

St. John of Jerusalem and the British Red Cross Society trophy, whole of November, on the old course.

RACE MEETING.

This afternoon the last extra race meeting of the season will be held at Happy Valley. The form of the ponies was discussed in this page earlier in the week.

The first race will be run at 2.45 p.m. Altogether there are seven events on the card, following at approximate intervals of half an hour. The big event is the fourth race, starting about 4.15.

To be in time it is advisable to reach the course fifteen minutes earlier.

SALE OF WORK.

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This morning at 10 o'clock fine weather graced the opening of the sale of work at the Italian Convent by Mrs. P. H. Holyoak. Proceeds are for orphans and destitute cared for by the Italian Convent and the deserving nature of the object attracted many to the well laid out stalls containing knitted goods, embroideries, cushions and other articles.

The bazaar will be continued to-morrow, opening being at the same time. Prices marked are reasonable for the excellence of the qualities of the articles and it is hoped that the majority of them will be sold.

£1,500,000 STRIKE.

FOLLY OF THE SEAMEN'S LEADERS.

(Reuter's Service.)

Melbourne, November 6.

At the Seamen's Executive meeting at Melbourne and Sydney to-day, indications were that the strike would be called off.

At present 22 ships are idle in Australia which is the lowest total for the past three months.

The strike is estimated to have cost £1,500,000 up to the present.

Job for Walsh.

Sydney, November 6.

A meeting of striking seamen adopted the rules of the new Federated Seamen's Union of Britain and Ireland, and elected the strike leader Walsh as President.

At Melbourne the British striking seamen resolved to continue the strike although the Trades Hall Unions had previously told them not to expect any further help.

SENT TO JAIL.

ARREST OF BRITISH COMMUNIST.

(Reuter's Service.)

Brussels, November 6.

A map alleged to be a British communist and a woman companion have been arrested and imprisoned.

A quantity of documents written in German, Russian, Chinese, and Hindustani were discovered.

PERSIAN REGIME.

(Reuter's Service.)

Washington, Nov. 6.

The Government has accorded official recognition to Riza Khan's regime in Persia on the understanding that the Persian and American agreements are scrupulously observed.

Mr. Alfred J. Lane, Architect, has been appointed a member of the Board of Arbitrators to determine the amount of compensation to be paid in respect of Survey Lots District IV, Lots 676, 683, 687, 887, 811, 813, 818, 823, 834, and 862.

THE NEW WAY.

LOCARNO AND EUROPE'S INDUSTRY.

WORKING TOGETHER.

(Reuter's Service.)

Paris, Nov. 6.

The application of the Locarno spirit to economic relations and industrial Germany's intention to co-operate in the economic restoration of Europe are exemplified by the presence for the first time of the German delegation headed by a banker, Herr von Mandelssohn at the half-yearly meeting of the International Chamber of Commerce.

Mr. Walter Leaf, President, in welcoming the German delegates, said they joined the Chamber with the assurance that they intended to participate in its discussions in a spirit of loyal co-operation.

Herr Mandelssohn in reply emphasised the Germans' desire to co-operate in working out great economic problems, especially those relating to the interdependence of German reparations payments, international conditions of exchange and Germany's future capacity.

ALLIES AND COLOGNE.

The Conference of Ambassadors has agreed to the text of the Note to Germany asking for further enlightenment with regard to certain points connected with disarmament.

If Germany's reply is satisfactory it is understood December 1 may be fixed as the date of evacuation of Cologne.

FRANCE'S FINANCES.

SO-CALLED CAPITAL LEVY PASSED.

A CHOICE OF EVILS.

(Reuter's Service.)

Paris, Nov. 7.

The Cabinet spent all day in elaborating the financial proposals. It agreed to a so-called capital levy which will take the form of a permanent "exceptional tax on all forms of wealth without distinction," giving taxpayers two options of commuting, namely, by immediate payment of a lump sum on advantageous terms, or payment by instalments over a period of twelve years.

SOVIET WAR CHIEF.

(Reuter's Service.)

Moscow, Nov. 6.

Mr. Voroshilov, a member of the Revolutionary War Council and Commander of the Moscow Military District, has been appointed Commander of War in succession to the late M. Frunze.

HELP FOR FRANC.

(Reuter's American Service.)

Washington, Nov. 7.

Notwithstanding the Government's policy of scrutinising loans to nations which have not funded their war debts, it is announced that obstacles will not be placed in the way of the French Government's requests for banking credits to support the franc.

GIRL SWIMMING RECORDS.



Miss Ethel Lackie (left) National and Olympic Champion, at the swim meet at Olympic Pool. Miss Butler, established a new National backstroke record, while covering a half mile in the small pool in the remarkable time of 18 minutes 44.5 seconds.

LOCAL SHARE MARKET.

OFFICIAL QUOTATIONS.

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do. London	\$130 n.		\$130 n.
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Mercantile Bank, A. & B.	\$20 1/2 n.	\$20 1/2 n.	\$20 1/2 n.
do. C.	\$13 1/2 n.	\$13 1/2 n.	\$13 1/2 n.
P. & O. Bank	\$6 1/4 n.	\$6 1/4 n.	\$6 1/4 n.
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Canton Insurance	635 b.	610 b.	\$ 625 b.
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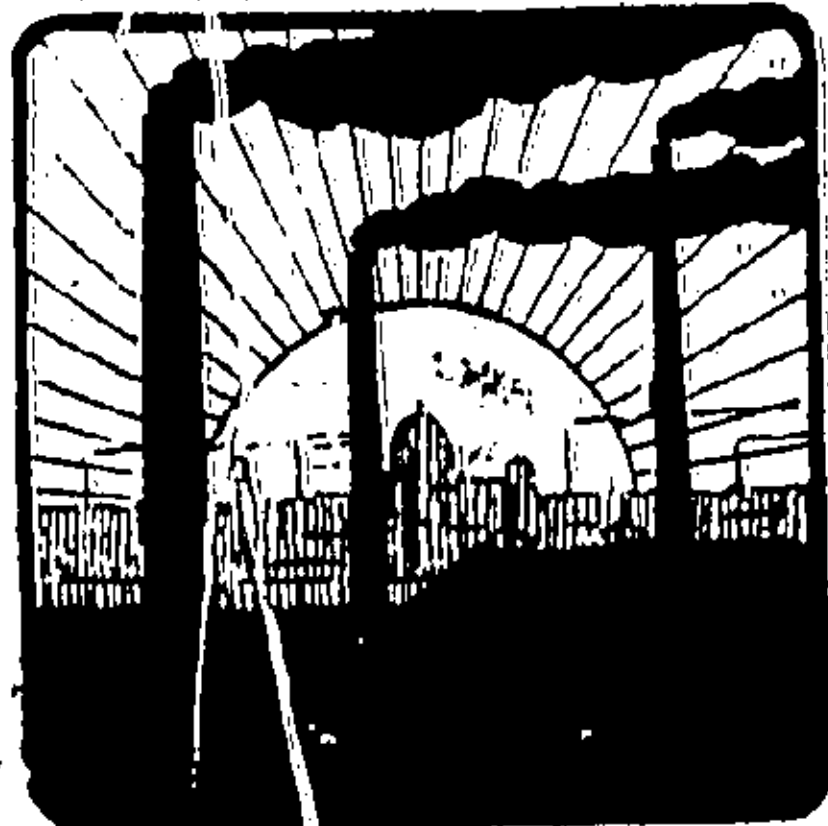
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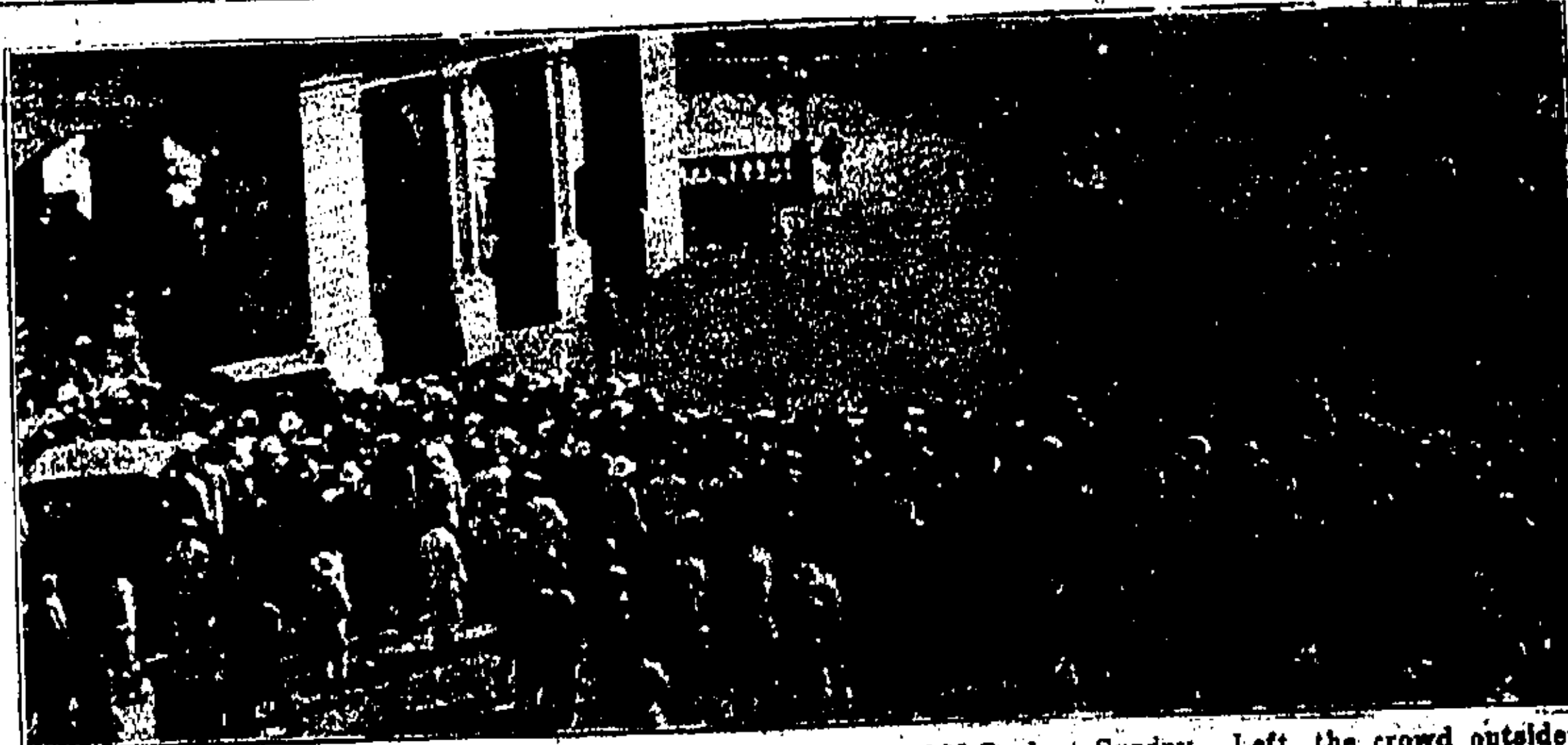
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Snapshots taken at the Hongkong Polo Club's polo gymkhana last Saturday when H.R.H. Prince George won the polo ball race. On the left, an earlier stage in the Musical Chairs; at right, a group of spectators enjoying the events. (Photos by Lee Fong, 7 Wyndham St.)



Scenes at the departure, last Saturday, of the Governor (Sir R. E. Stubbs). Left, Sir Edward inspecting the East Surrey Regt. guard of honour (Photo by Lee Fong); right, His Excellency on the steps of Queen's Pier, going aboard the Government launch "Victoria." (Photo by Ying Ming, 50 Queen's Road C.)



Arrival of the new Governor, R.E. Mr. Cecil Clementi, C.M.G., last Sunday. Left, the crowd outside Queen's Pier watching His Excellency about to drive away with Sir Claud Severn in the car. (Photo by Lee Fong); right, Mr. Clementi inspecting the guard of honour outside the Colonial Secretariat. (Photo by Ying Ming).



Left, A. S. Forsyth winning the high jump (4ft. 8 1/2 in.) at the Scottish Co. (Volunteer Defence Corps) sports last Saturday (Photo by Ying Ming); Right, A. Mair (nearest camera) winning the 100 yards (18.2/5 sec.) with a tremendous burst. (Photo by Lee Fong).



Last Saturday's lawn bowls final at the Civil Service Cricket Club. Left, W. Wotherspoon, Taikee, (bowling) who lost to F. Cullen, Kowloon Dock, (walking) in the singles. Right, T. C. Wallace (arms folded) and J. Russell (facing camera) of Taikee, who beat J. C. West (about to stoop) and A. Clark (not in photo), of the Police, in the pairs. (Photos by Ying Ming).

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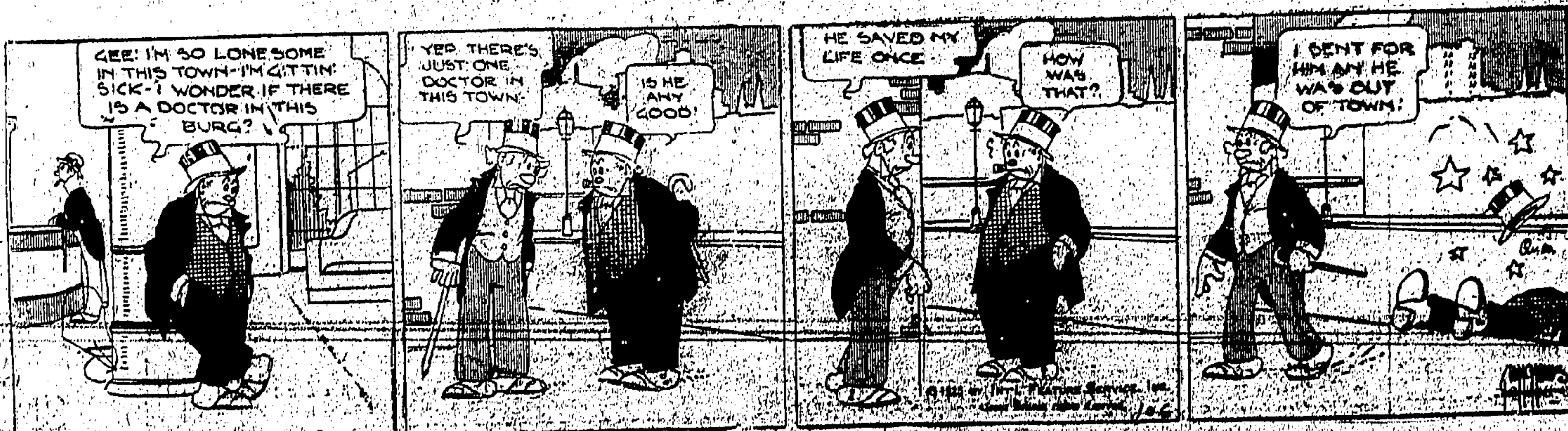
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"Of greater interest to me were the holy relics of men's souls that lie hidden away for ever upon the shelves of the great monastic library. Many thousand souls are there buried among the leaves and manuscripts of printed books, to which no mortal will ever give a thought again. For the library is a graveyard from which there is no resurrection. Many volumes I saw there in ancient, tattered, faded, and now read—many disquisitions upon the attributes of the Divine Essence, and on the numerous ambiguities set by the Evil One on each side of the razor edge of virtue's path. Now in their deserted oblivion all had become venerable to me as the ruins of shrines where no taper burns, or of cathedrals unvisited by any worshipper."—H. W. Nevinson in "More Changes, More Chances" (Nisbet, 18s. net).

The King's Tutor.
Among the visitors to Balmoral recently was Canon J. N. Dalton, K.C.V.O., the aged Canon of Windsor, whose home is in the Castle, Clonsilla (Ireland). Now in his eighties, Canon Dalton, who was the King's tutor and companion during his world tour as the Duke of York, spends most of his time in and around the historic Castle, the history of which is one of his fascinations. Canon Dalton has interested himself in recent years in the restoration of the Royal Chapel, a work still in progress. One of his enthusiasms has been the restoration of the Heraldic benches, removed by Wren in his day from their position, in which they dominated the famous chapel. This work has involved considerable research, as no reliable plans or illustrations of the heraldic benches were intact.

What We Know.
"The most enterprising function of modern scientific discovery in the departments of applied physiology, domestic science, and the like is to find out not what we ought to do, but why we do what we do," says the "Lancet." "We know now—more or less—why we should eat cabbage; we know why a man cannot run a mile as fast as he can run 100 yards; and cannot hope to do so; we have a rationale for loading in the gun. We do not know why we use soap to clean ourselves with, nor how to weave woollen socks without shrinking them; science has addressed itself to these problems, but has failed to find a solution satisfying to the housewife. No serious attention appears to have been given to the problems of why no one can eat rabbit daily, and why a white silk shirt must not be dried in the open like a cotton one for fear it will go yellow."

The Colour of Things.
"Miss Eva H. Longbottom, L.B.A.M., A.B.C.M., a Halifax lady who has long been resident in Bristol," has issued a curiously interesting little booklet, entitled "Further Thoughts on Colour as Seen by a Blind Musician," says the "London Correspondent of the 'Yorkshire Post.'" Miss Longbottom was born blind, and so cannot have a memory of colours such as may persist with persons who acquire blindness in after life, but she "sees" colour, or what she supposes to be colour, in the speaking voice, colour in music, colour in the voices of children. The greater the refinement of voice the purer and clearer the colour-vision which she gains. Some voices, it is true, though not without refinement, remind her of a character named William Henry, sketched by Burrie, of whom the author states that while there is no special reason why he should be asked to the party, there is no special reason why he should not, and so finally he is asked. Such voices reveal if anything a white colour to her mind. Certain other persons—usually individuals of much self-repression—speak yellow; one in business speaks a delightful spring-green which makes me feel the flowers are everywhere, but his Sunday voice, out of business, is an exquisite rose-pink. Children's voices are seldom red, but often pink; green very rarely. A certain note of pathos enters into this blind seeing after sensations which are so pleasurable to sight, but there are more things in heaven and earth, Horatio, than are dreamt of in your philosophy."

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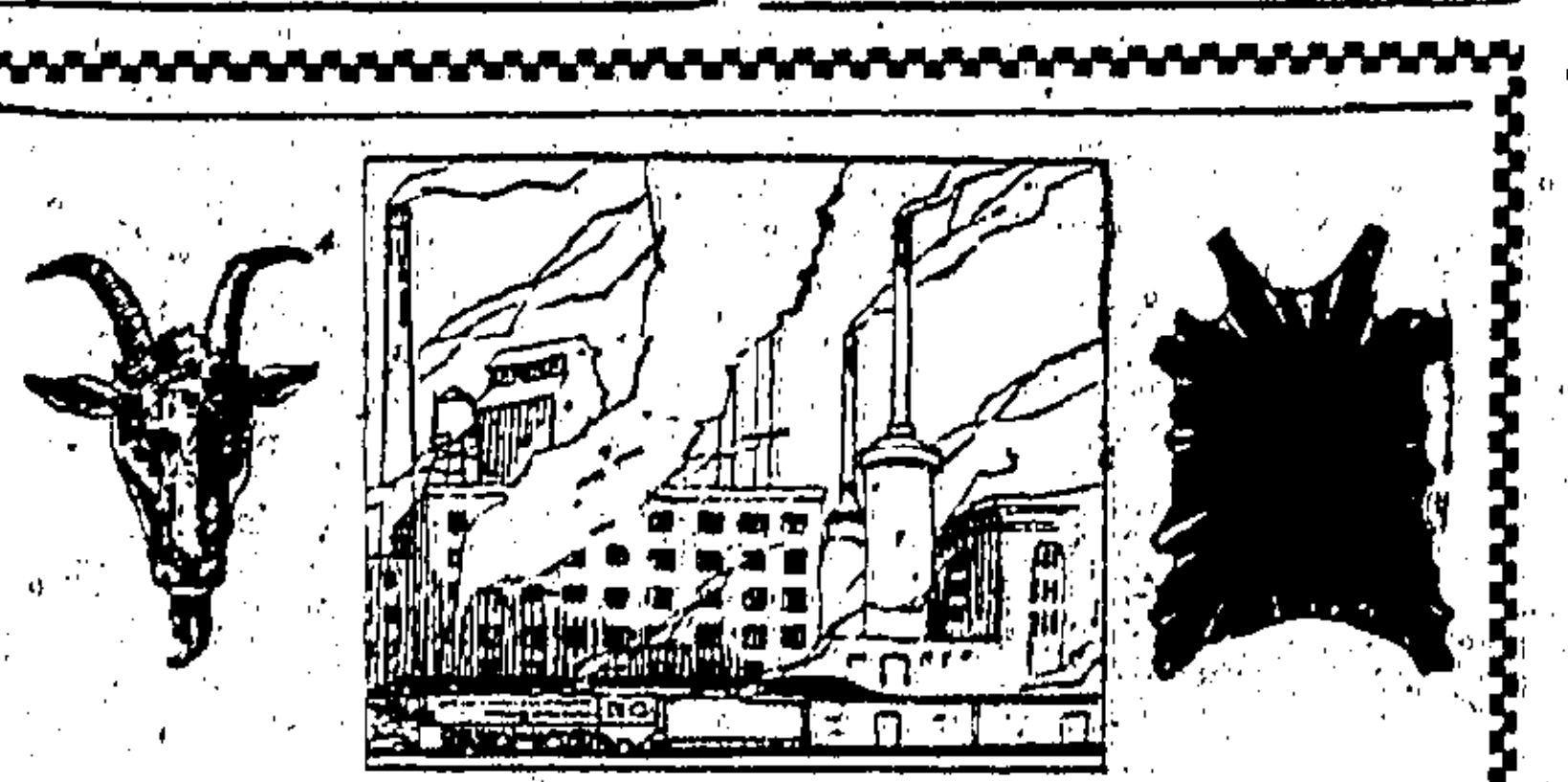
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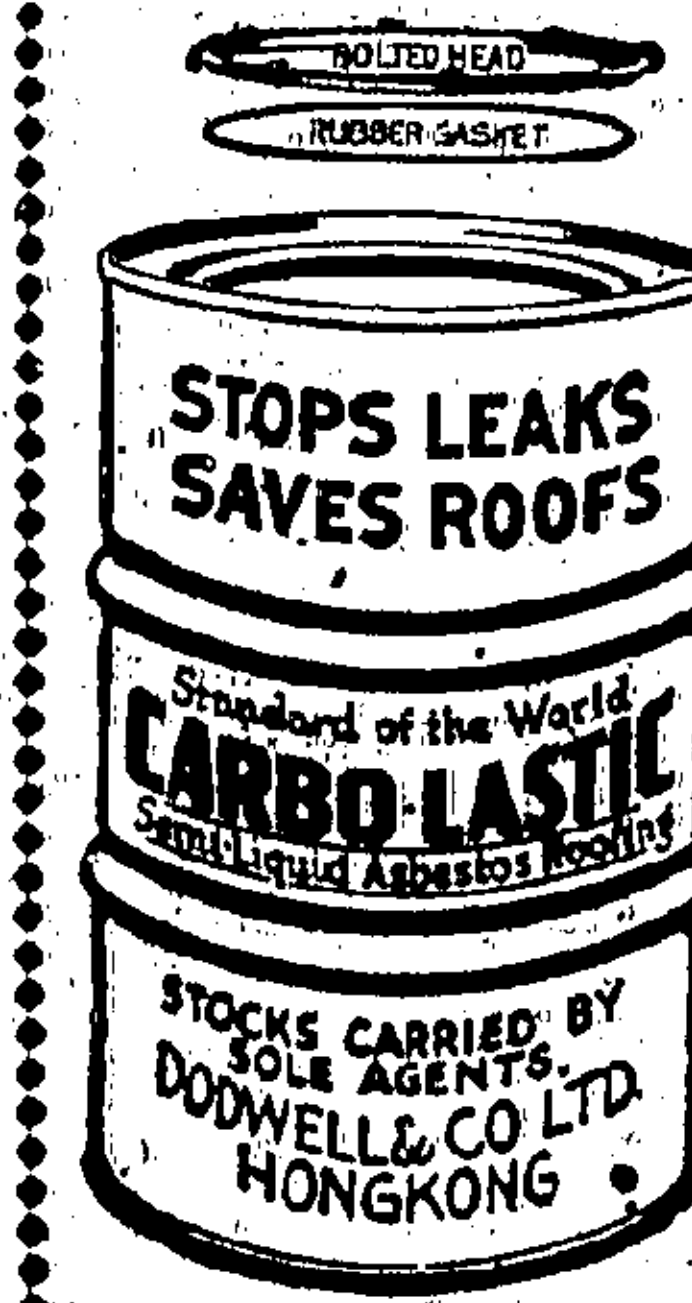
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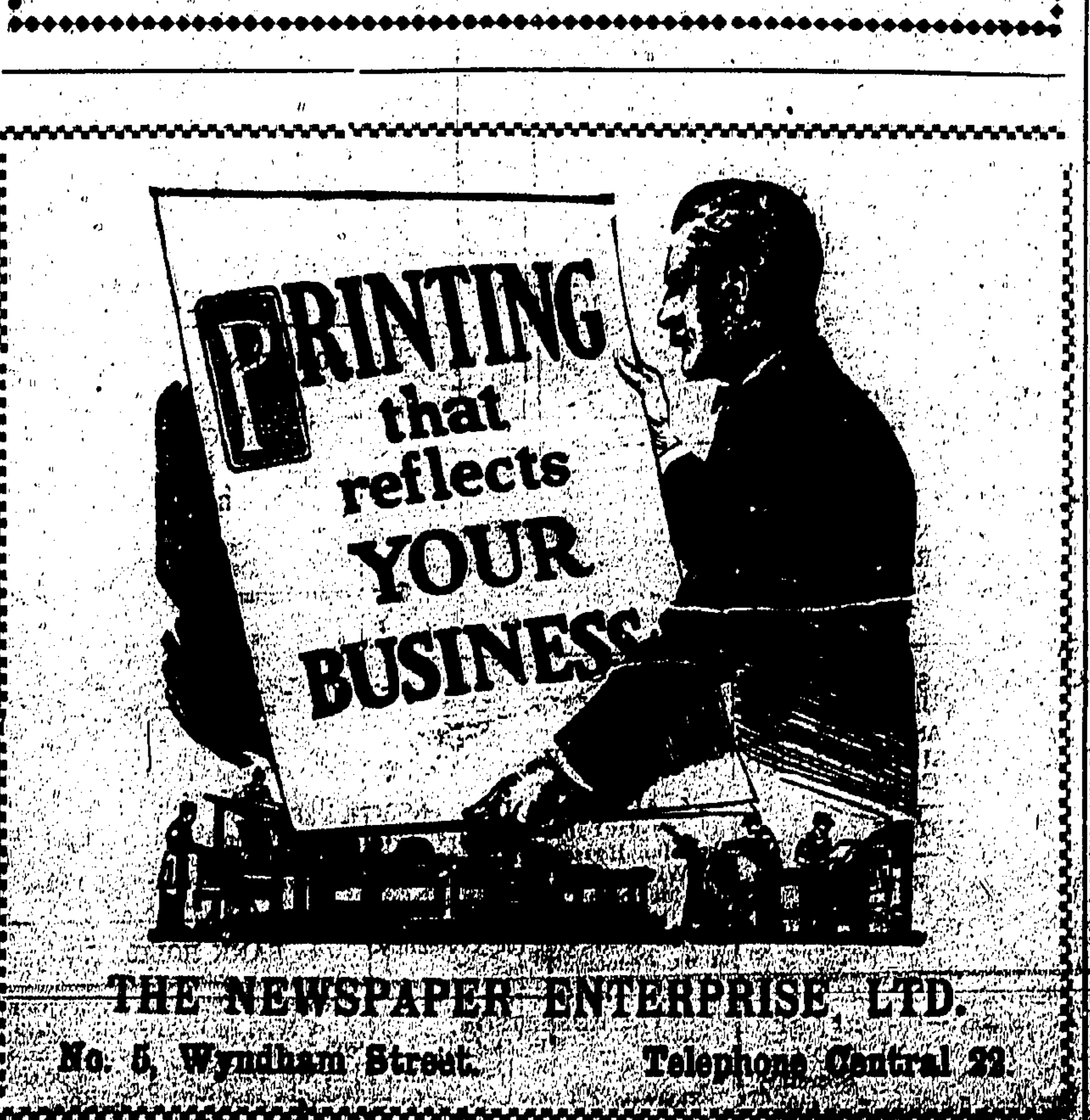
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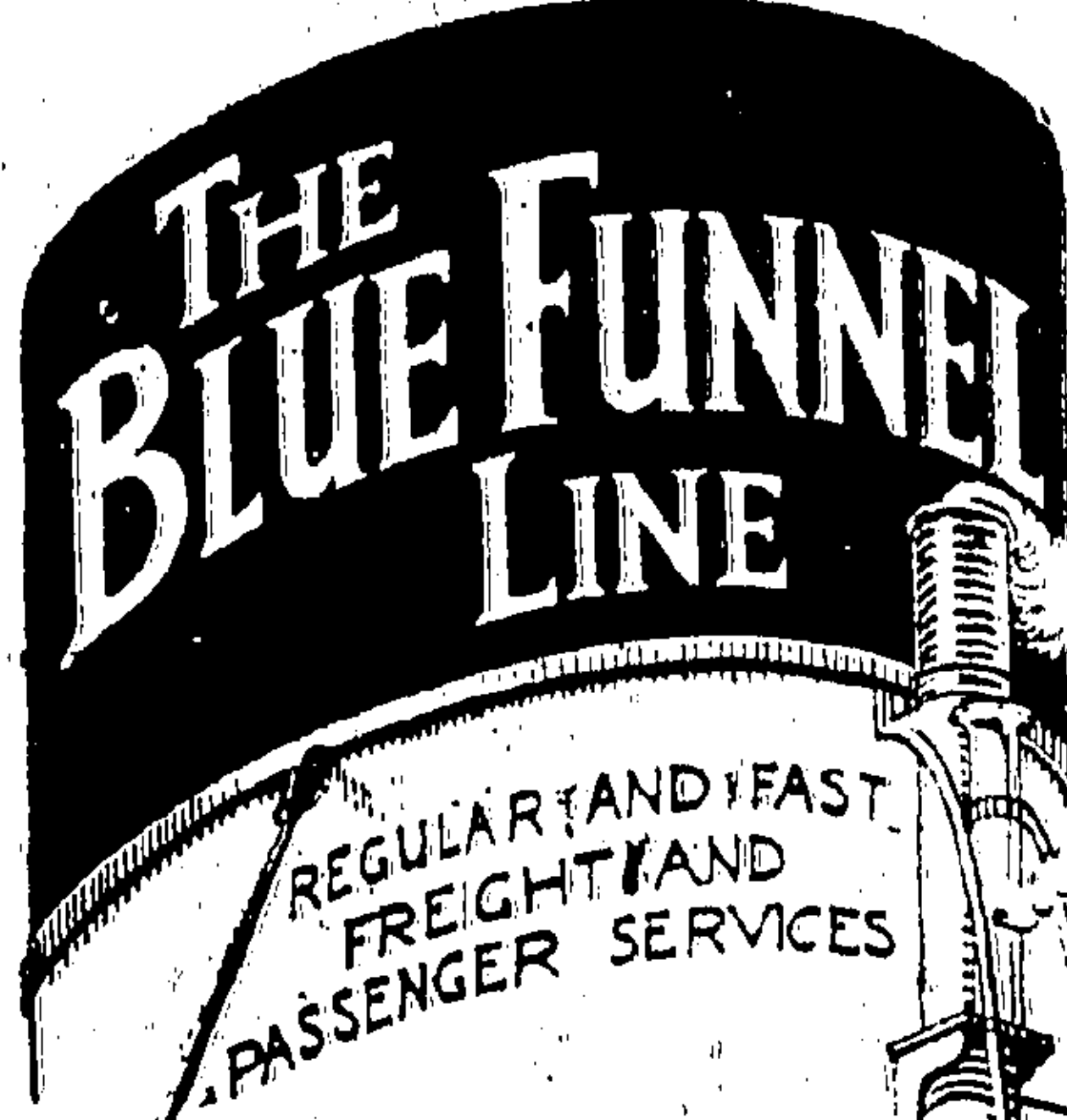


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NOTICE
A COMBINED MEETING of the Members of both Guilds will be held at the Office, Salween House, West Point, Hongkong, on SUNDAY, 8th NOVEMBER, 1925, at 10.30 A.M.
BUSINESS—IMPORTANT.
J. WATSON, Secretary.
Hongkong, 5th November, 1925.

HONGKONG CLUB.
NOTICE
ON ARMISTICE DAY (Wednesday) the 11th November, the Club House will be open to the Women and Adult Lady-Friends of Members and Subscribers, from 10.30 a.m. to 1.30 p.m., for the purpose of viewing the Ceremony at the Cenotaph.
By Order,
T. A. ROBERTSON, Secretary.
Hongkong, 7th November, 1925.

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AUCTIONEERS, APPRAISERS AND SURVEYORS.
Public Auctions—
THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction on
Tuesday, the 10th Nov., 1925, at 11 a.m.
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NOTICES.
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THE SEVENTH EXTRA RACE MEETING will be held (weather permitting) at Happy Valley (Today) SATURDAY, November 7th, 1925.
The First Bell will be rung at 2.15 p.m.
The charge for admission to the Public Enclosure will be \$1.
Soldiers and Sailors in uniform half Price.
Members are advised that they must show their Season Tickets to obtain admission to the Members' Enclosure.
Each member has the right of introducing 2 non-members to the Members' Enclosure, tickets for whom can be obtained from Messrs. Lindeat & Davis at \$5, each up to November 6th (Friday).
The Stewards invite the Ladies of Hongkong to be present.
Hongkong, November 2nd, 1925.

BANK HOLIDAY.
IN ACCORDANCE WITH ORDINANCE No. 5 of 1912 the EXCHANGE BANKS will be closed for the transaction of BUSINESS on WEDNESDAY, 11th NOVEMBER, 1925.
Hongkong, 6th November, 1925.

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